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INDIA'S ENVOY REPORTS EAST BENGAL IS QUIET

CALCUTTA, February 26, (UPI).

EXCEPT for an incident in North Calcutta, the city remained peaceful on Sunday, says a west Bengal Government press note on the situation in the city and other places in the State.

The press note adds: "Towards the afternoon, there was some excitement at Sealdah station when the Dacca Mail arrived and vague rumours spread about certain incidents that are said to have taken place on the route. Steps have been taken to ascertain the correct facts.

"A rowdy mob then proceeded from Sealdah and tried to attack three shops by the roadside. Two persons were assaulted. The police however, soon dispersed the mob and brought the situation under control. A total of forty arrests were made.

"At Jalpaiguri there were a few stray incidents. Police vigilance is being maintained. There were some minor incidents at Burdwan.

"The Indian High Commissioner Dr. Sita Ram arrived in Calcutta on Sunday after his tour in East Bengal. The Deputy High Commissioner at Dacca, Shri Santosh Kumar Basu, is still on tour in East Bengal Bengal and will arrive here on Monday.

PEACEFUL

"At the places visited by the High Commissioner (namely Dacca and suburbs, Khulna, Bagerhat and Sylhet), he found that a peaceful atmosphere on the whole prevails at present and that the authorities are taking sufficiently strong action to keep the situation under control. He found solicitude on the part of both of Hindus and Muslims for avoiding a recurrence of recent troubles.

"He noticed that attempts are being made to rehabilitate displaced persons gradually although there is certain amount of panic still amongst them. He met leaders of both Hindu and Muslim communities at places visited by him. He visited the hospitals at Dacca and Sylhet and the camps for displaced persons at Dacca and Barisal.

"Persons interested in making enquiries about their relatives or friends in East Bengal should write with full particulars to the Deputy High Commissioner of India at Dacca who will supply information as far as possible".

PEACEFUL NOW

Interviewed at Dum Dum aerodrome Dr. Sita Ram expressed inability to say anything about what had happened in the past in the riot-affected districts of East Bengal. He said that he had not visited all these places, but had only been to the scenes of occurrences in the city of Dacca and its suburbs, Begerhat, Khulna, Barisal and Sylhet. The situation at Present in East Bengal, he said, "was the on the whole peaceful". He had not heard of any "new serious outbreak".

Dr. Sita Ram's future programme would be settled after consultations with the West Bengal Chief Minister.

The Deputy High Commissioner for India in Dacca, Mr. Santosh Kumar Basu, who visited Chittagong and some other riot-affected areas of East Bengal last week, is expected to arrive here tomorrow to acquaint the West Bengal Chief Minister with the impressions of his visit.

SABHA'S DEMAND

Resolutions viewing with horror the situation in the districts of Dacca, Chittagong, Noakhali, Barisal, Mymensingh, Tipperah and Sylhet and demanding wholesale transfer of Hindu population from East Bengal, were adopted by the Council of the Bengal Provincial Hindu Mahasabha at a meeting here today. Over 200 members from different district attended. Shri Sanat Kumar Roy Chowdhury, former Mayor of Calcutta presided.

The Council urged the Government of India to arrange for immediate transfer of population and to lose no time in rescuing the Hindu population from East Bengal.

CURFEW IN BURDWAN

BURDWAN: The District Magistrate re-imposed curfew all over the municipal area here from 1 p.m. Sunday to 6 a.m. Monday following disturbances resulting in one death. Some cases of arson were reported.

King Gustav of Sweden has awarded this year's Prince Carl Medal for humanitarian work to Mrs. Franklin Roosevelt.

TRAIN STOPPED AND LOOTED

Incident In East Bengal

DACCA, Feb. 26 (PTI).—The 8 Down Dacca Mail was stopped between Surajnagar and Belchahia stations, five miles from Rajbari at 3-15 a.m. and the passengers relieved of their belongings, an East Bengal Government press note said tonight.

The train had been brought to a halt by the alarm cord being pulled. The armed guard on the train opened fire, but the bandits escaped, the press note added.

No passenger was killed, although some of them sustained injury in the stampede. The non-communal nature of this incident has been already established, the Government communique declared.

Talks Today In Calcutta

CALCUTTA, Feb. 26 (UPI).

THE East Bengal situation will be discussed at the West Bengal Secretariat at a high-level conference tomorrow. The conference will be attended by Dr. B. C. Roy, Chief Minister, Dr. Sita Ram, India's High Commissioner in Pakistan, Mr. Santosh Basu, Deputy High Commissioner for India in Pakistan, and Mr. Sukumar Sen, Chief Secretary, West Bengal Government.

Dr. Sita Ram, who arrived here this morning after touring East Bengal, was closeted with Dr. Roy this evening. Mr. Santosh Basu is expected to reach Calcutta tomorrow morning.

TWO ENVOYS

Dr. Jessup, U. S. Ambassador At Large addressed a special gathering of the Indian Council of World Affairs, in New Delhi on Thursday which was presided ever by Ambassador K. M. Panikkar.

Trouble Again

NEW DELHI, Feb. 26 (PTI): Pakistan radio's broadcast alleging the death of 10,000 Muslims in Calcutta and a loss of 50 crores of rupees' worth of Muslim property in the city on account of communal disturbances led to a recrudescence of trouble in Dacca yesterday, according to information available here.

Muslims in Dacca tried to take out a procession in defiance of the East Bengal Government's order. The authorities did not allow the procession to be taken out and there was tension.

Some 200 Hindu refugees who wanted to return to their homes were, it is reported, prevented by the police on the ground that their homes had been requisitioned for the Muslim refugees. The matter was taken up with the higher authorities who said that the homes of these Hindus were situated in "danger zone". Since they had been requisitioned the Hindus were advised to go back to the refugee camps. The police also removed their goods from their homes. The District Magistrate of Dacca was approached and it was pointed out to him that it was the policy of the Government to let the Hindu refugees return to their homes. The Magistrate went for an on-the spot enquiry and a Muslim mob of 2,000 met him and demonstrated. Ultimately the District Magistrate advised the Hindus to get back to the refugee camp till they could return to their homes.

Five Youths Dead

MARGHERITA (Assam), Feb. 26 (PTI): The dead bodies of five young men of Dibrugarh, reported missing some time ago, were found near Kamalapur railway station in Eastern Pakistan, it was learned here.

According to a relative of one of the victims, they hal left Dibrugarh for Comilla to ascertain air travel facilities for Calcutta.

RELIEF TO MINORITIES IN EAST BENGAL

Government Urged To Take Speedy Steps

NEW DELHI, February 26, (PTI

BENGALI residents of Delhi including many M. P.s held a mass rally here today to urge the Government to take immediate steps for the protection of minorities in Eastern Pakistan. Mrs. Sucheta Kripalani and Pandit Laxmi Kanta Maitra conducted the rally.

Addressing the gathering, Pandit Laxmi Kanta Maitra expressed great concern over the mass scale atrocities perpetrated upon Hindus in East Pakistan and cautioned the Government that this was a "threat to the very existence of India."

Mrs. Sucheta Kripalani and the West Bengal Congress President, Mr. S. M. Ghose, said that the situation in Eastern Pakistan was very grave but the people of India should keep peace and restrain from retaliation.

Mrs. Renuka Roy told the gathering that various women organisations of the country would shortly be mobilised under the leadership of the All India Women's Conference to bring pressure upon the Government to deal effectively with the East Bengal situation. She pleaded for communal peace in India.

RESOLUTION PASSED

Sind Congress leader Dr. Choitram Gidwani reminded the people that they must be ready to undergo great hardships for the sake of their brethren in Pakistan.

The rally dispersed after adopting resolution sponsored by Mr. S. M. Ghose endorsing the Prime Minister's recent statement in Parliament on the East Bengal situation and urging the Government to take immediate steps for the protection of lives and properties of minorities in Eastern Pakistan.

The resolution pleaded for the maintenance of communal harmony in India in order to strengthen the hands of the Government in effectively dealing with the situation in East Bengal. It further demanded speedy rehabilitation of East Bengal refugees.

LEADERS' APPEAL

CALCUTTA: An appeal to the people of India to maintain complete peace in the country "for the cause of humanity, for the cause of our country as well as for the cause of security of the minorities of East Bengal," has been jointly issued today by a number of Bengal leaders including Shri Surendra Mohan Ghosh, President of the Bengal Provincial Congress Committee, Dr. P. C. Ghosh, Member of the Congress Working Committee, Shri Charu Chandra Bhandari Shri Aatulya Chandra Ghosh and others (adds the UPI).

300 Schools Re-Started In Kashmir

LIBERAL EDUCATION FOR NEW GENERATION

SRINAGAR, February 26, (UPI).

THREE HUNDRED educational institutions have been restated in the areas recaptured from the enemy after restablishing schools in Naushera, Rajauri, Poonch and Pahar districts. An Assistant Inspector of Schools was deputed to the frontier who established his headquarters at Kargil.

With a view to re-orientate the medium of instruction and to infuse liberal and progressive outlook in the younger generation, steps have been taken to introduce education through mother tongue in primary schools. These centres will be forceful centres of attraction for adult education where they would meet to be relaxed, amused and instructed. These will also be potential centres for the revival of Kashmiri cultural heritage.

PAKISTAN REPORTS BASELESS

Azad's Stricture

AGRA, Feb. 26 (UPI): Maulana Azad Education Minister, today characterised as "baseless" the accounts of the recent Calcutta disturbances broadcast by Pakistan Radio. The accounts given by the Pakistan Radio, he said, were "far from the truth and deserve the severest condemnation."

Maulana Azad, who is in Agra on a tour to see some of the ancient monuments here, in a statement said: "I am extremely surprised to find that baseless accounts of the recent Calcutta disturbances are being broadcast by the Radio Pakistan, Karachi and a section of the Karachi and Lahore press. These accounts put the number of those killed as high as 10,000. Nothing can be farther from the truth and accounts as these deserve severest condemnation. I myself visited Calcutta on the 15th February and after going round all the affected areas, met all those responsible Muslim citizens who were in a position to acquaint me with the incidents which they had themselves seen. On the 16th February at 11 a.m. there was a meeting at the Government House in which representatives of the various Muslim organizations and the press as well as the Muslim M.L.A.'s were present.

"After a full enquiry I gave a statement to the press on the 17th in which particular mention was made of the fact that though there had been heavy loss of property, the number of those killed was comparatively very small.

DELIBERATE LIE

"With the full sense of responsibility I repeat what I had stated in Calcutta that the number of those killed and wounded in Calcutta and its suburbs even after giving allowances to all sorts of non-official accounts, could by no means exceed 200 altogether. To give exaggeration to this figure to the extent of putting it at 10,000 cannot be regarded anything else but a clear and deliberate lie.

"As far as the loss of property is concerned, there is no doubt that it has been considerable. There is also no doubt of the fact that a large number of the houses have been looted and burnt and a few factories and godowns destroyed. But even in this case, the number given by the Radio Pakistan and some of its newspapers is exceedingly exaggerated.

"It is now known to everyone that we have offered to the Government of Pakistan an enquiry by a joint commission to investigate the extent of loss in life and property suffered by the members of the minority communities in both the Bengals. So far Pakistan has not agreed to such an enquiry being instituted.

"Nevertheless, as far as we are concerned we have no intention of hiding anything from anybody. Our doors are always open for any one who would like to see the facts as they are for himself."

CALCUTTA, Feb. 26 (P.T.I.): A peace appeal prominently displayed on the front page formed a special feature of almost all the morning papers of Calcutta today.

Countess Mountbatten snapped on her arrival at Delhi airport from Malta. She will stay in the capital for a week.

Precautions Against Pak Raiders

(From Our Correspondent)

AHMEDABAD, Feb. 26.

It is reliably learnt that the military posted on the border of Suigram are reported to have informed people living in ten villages on the border, to be prepared to evacuate their villages at 24-hours' notice. It might be remembered that this is a region where attacks from across the border by Pakistan freebooters have been common. As a precaution, wireless transmitters have been installed in this region and a telegraph line laid upto Suigram.

All Support If Attacked

SOCIALIST LEADER'S ASSURANCE

GAUHATI, Feb. 26 (PTI): Mr. Purushottamdas Tricumdas, Socialist leader, said here yesterday that the Socialists would not be found wanting in lending their wholehearted co-operation to the Government in the event of any outside aggression, from whichever quarter it might come.

"Though we have grave differences with the Congress Government we are ready to join hands with them in maintaining the honour of the country in the event of an emergency", he added.

Presiding over the third annual session of the Assam Socialist Party, Mr. Tricumdas said that India, unlike Pakistan, would always remain a secular state and would never be a theocratic nation.

Pakistan, Mr. Tricumdas said, was taking a course against the one which India stood for. As such, Pakistan was standing in the way of India's desire for peace and goodwill between the two countries.

River Changes Its Course

LUCKNOW, Feb. 26 (PTI): The river Gugra under the Elgin Bridge on the O. T. Railway, at Chaukaghat, about 40 miles from Lucknow on the main line to Gorakhpur, has changed its course and is threatening the railway embankment upstream of the bridge.

The railway authorities are taking immediate measures to check further movement of the river towards the railway embankement.

MORE COTTAGE INDUSTRIES

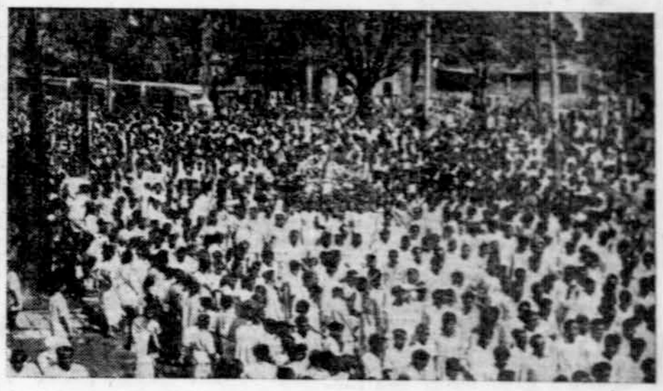
State Aid Urged

JAIPUR, Feb. 26 (PTI): The two-day session of the All-India Cottage Industries Board, which concluded here today, in a resolution emphasised the need to develop export of cottage industries products and recommended the setting up of a corporation for the purpose.

The corporation, the resolution said, should also secure and distribute the necessary raw materials to cottage industries and take over the management of the Central Cottage Industries Emporium at Delhi.

By another resolution the Board recommended adequate credit facilities for small-scale and cottage industries by extending state aid or by organising a separate state finance corporation in each state.

The Last Journey



The mortal remains of Sarat Chandra Bose are seen taken in a procession to the cremation ground, through Calcutta Streets.

CARRY OUT HIS TESTAMENT

Mrs. Sarat Bose's Appeal

CALCUTTA, Feb. 26 (UPI): Mrs. Sarat Chandra Bose has issued the following:— "I am extremely grateful to my countrymen who have sent messages of condolence and sympathy and those who called personally to express the same, and I hereby acknowledge all letters and telegrams addressed to myself and to by sons Sriman Asoke and Sriman Amiya. Since it is not possible to acknowledge them and express our thankfulness to them individually, I am taking the hospitality of the press to do so.

"During the last hours of his life, my husband's mind was occupied with the thought of East Bengal and he died writing for "The Nation" I hope that his beloved countrymen will pay him tribute by carrying his last testament into practice".

Nehru To Visit Japan?

BOMBAY, Sunday.

Dr. Mrs. Tomiko Wada Kora, Japanese author, at the end of a 100-day visit to India stated here last night that she had discussed with the Prime Minister Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru the possibility of his visiting Japan at the time of the signing of the peace treaty, and that he had shown sympathetic interest.

Dwelling upon the cultural and economic affinities between India and Japan, she said her country had once and for all abjured the wrong path of militarism, and was now following the teachings of Mahatma Gandhi.

Report On Film Trade

CALCUTTA, Feb. 26. (PTI): Mr. S. K. Patil, Mayor of Bombay, who is here for preliminary discussion with representatives of film producers and the trade, told pressmen that the Committee expected to submit its report to the Government of India by the end of the year.

Faction Fight At Ichhapur

CALCUTTA, Feb. 26 (PTI).—Twenty-five persons were injured in a disturbance at Ichhapur, 17 miles from here, in which two local factions fought each other in the street.

The disturbance was not of a communal nature, both parties belonging to the same community. Police who brought the situation under control arrested 100 persons.

HYSTERIA GAINS MOMENTUM

WASHINGTON, Feb. 26.

AMERICAN defence chiefs have submitted a plan to President Truman to increase America's atom bomber force.

The strength of fighter escort and ground support for the atomic bombers is also to be increased under the plan.

President Truman's budget already calls for 48 bomber groups giving a striking strength of over 8,000 planes.

The cost of the planned increases, of which no details were given, will be met by pruning non-combatant units.—PTI-Reuter.

U. S. ARMS FOR INDO-CHINA?

Negotiations By France

PARIS, Feb. 26 (PTI-Reuter): France and the United States are "exchanging views" on proposals for military aid for the French in Indo-China, a Foreign Office spokesman said here today.

Asked about Washington reports that the French Government had presented a detailed list of arms requirements to the United States Embassy in Paris, the spokesman said, "These exchanges are going on in various places, notably in Washington and Paris. When talks are still in progress, it is unlikely that such a list could be completed."

ARAB LEAGUE TO DISCUSS INDIA

CAIRO, Feb. 26 (PTI-Reuter): The relations between India and Pakistan may be discussed at the next meeting of the Arab League.

The Egyptian Prime Minister, Mustapha Nahas Pasha, has invited the Premiers of all the Arab League member states to attend the next session of the League's Council to open here on March 10.

The Prime Ministers will discuss Palestine, a proposed collective security pact linking the Arab states in a military alliance, and the dispute between India and Pakistan.

Although Premier Nahas Pasha inaugurated the Arab League five years ago, he has been out of office since then. He was understood to be keen to meet the Arab leaders and review the League's work since its inception.

ANTI-BANDIT OFFENSIVE STARTS IN MALAYA

Extra Rewards For Capture Of Terrorists

SINGAPORE, February 26, (PTI-Reuter).

MALAY'S armed forces with 35,000 Chinese, Malay, Indian and European civilian volunteers opened a vast anti-bandit offensive tonight aimed at sweeping Communist terrorists out of the Federation.

All army, police and Government leave was cancelled as an "anti-bandit month" campaign was launched without warning.

Rewards were doubled for the seizure of unlicensed arms and ammunition. Extra rewards were offered for the capture of terrorists, dead or alive.

Government authorities expected the guerilla war to "warm up". They said they had ample evidence that terrorists intended to launch a counter offensive.

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PUBLIC NOTICES

THE SHIVRAJPUR SYNDICATE LIMITED.

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the TRANSFER BOOKS of the above Company will be CLOSED from MONDAY, the 27th March to THURSDAY, the 13th April, 1950, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,

THE SHIVRAJPUR SYNDICATE LIMITED,

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... F. MILNE,

Director,

Agents.

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PUBLIC NOTICES

NO. 118. SECRETARY, PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION, WEST BENGAL

Invites applications on the prescribed form with a treasury chalan for Rs. 5|- for each post under the head "XXXVI-Misc.-Receipts of the Public Service Commission, West Bengal" not later than March 20, 1950 to fill the following posts: (1) Assistant Inspector of Technical and Industrial Institutions, West Bengal. Pay.—Rs. 275-750 p.m. plus usual dearness and other allowances. Qualifications.—A degree in Mechanical Engineering of a recognised University; preference will be given to one having experience in Textile Engineering; practical experience in a factory for at least two years: administrative experience. Age not less than 25 or more than 30 years on February 1, 1950. (2) Curator, Pathology Department, Medical College, Calcutta. The post is included in the permanent cadre of the West Bengal Medical Service (Upper), but the appointment will be made on a temporary basis for the present till the fixation of the cadre and the selected candidate will be considered for permanent appointment in the cadre in due course, if his work is satisfactory. Pay.—starting pay Rs. 200 p.m. in the scale Rs. 140-380 plus the temporary increase in pay Rs. 30|- and the usual dearness allowance; the difference between the initial of the time scale and Rs. 200 will be treated as personal pay to be merged in future increments. Qualifications.—A Medical degree or the diploma "M.M.F" granted by the State Medical Faculty: experience of teaching and demonstration in Pathology and Bacteriology and in the preparation and preservation of Pathological Specimens, both macroscopic and microscopic; preference will be given to a candidate with higher qualifications in the subject. Age ordinarily not more than 28 years on March 1, 1950, relaxable for candidates with exceptionally high qualifications. Particulars obtainable a week hence from the office of the Commission, Anderson House (top floor), Alipore, Calcutta 27, personally or on sending a self-addressed stamped envelope. The prescribed application form priced at annas two available of the Treasuries and Sub-Treasuries in West Bengal and the Secretariat Book Depot, Writers' Buildings, Calcutta. Persons residing outside West Bengal may obtain the form from the office of the Commission on sending the price in postage stamps. (7236)

THE RAVALGAON SUGAR FARM LIMITED.

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Seventeenth Ordinary General Meeting of the Company will be held at 'Construction House' Ballard Estate, Fort, Bombay, on THURSDAY the 23rd March 1950 at 4.45 p.m. (S.T.) for the purpose of transacting the following business:—

1. To receive and adopt the Directors' Report and Audited Statement of Accounts for the year ended 30th September 1949 and to declare dividend on Preference, Ordinary and Deferred Shares.
2. To elect Directors in place of those who retire by rotation and who are eligible for re-election.
3. To appoint Auditors for the current year and fix their remuneration.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will remain CLOSED as from Friday the 10th March 1950, to Saturday the 25th March 1950 (both days inclusive).

By Order of the Board.
WALCHAND & COMPANY LTD.
Managing Agents,
LALCHAND HIRACHAND,
Director.

Construction House,
Ballard Estate,
Bombay.

Note:—The dividends, if sanctioned will be paid at the Company's Registered Office at Construction House, Ballard Estate, Bombay, on and from Monday the 27th March 1950 to those Shareholders whose names stand on the Company's Register on Saturday the 25th March 1950.

To the Shareholders of the above Company and more particularly addressed to:—

Mr. Sulaiman Hussein Variawa, Mrs. Hiralaxmi Manilal and Mr. Jethalal Laxmichand. 7231

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Allotment Letter No. F4545 in respect of —13—New Issue Shares of Bank of India Ltd., Nos. 271661|670, 294541|543 standing in the name of Mr. UDHAWDAS GIRDHARIDAS DECEASED has been lost or mislaid. The public is hereby warned not to deal with the said Allotment Letter in any way.

Any claim in respect of the said Allotment Letter must be notified to the Bank within one month from the date hereof, otherwise a duplicate Allotment Letter will be issued thereafter.

(Sd) GORDHANDAS UDHAWDAS,
Successor to the Estate of
Udhawdas Girdharidas
Deceased.

Date: 24th February 1950. (7233)

PUBLIC NOTICES

GOVERNMENT OF BOMBAY,

Civil Supplies Department, Secretariat, Bombay.

APPLICATIONS are invited from persons of Bombay domicile for the temporary posts of Foodgrains Inspectors under the Food Controller, Bombay.

AGE not more than 35 years.

PAY Rs. 175-15-265 plus dearness allowance and Special Pay of Rs. 50 per month if posted outside the State of Bombay and Rs. 35 per month if posted within the State, but outside the Bombay City and Bombay Suburban District subject to certain conditions.

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Applications with copies of testimonials should reach the Food Controller, New India Assurance Building, Flora Fountain, Bombay, on or before the 3rd March 1950. Candidates must be prepared to appear for an interview at their own expenses.

S. M. MOGRE,
Establishment Officer.

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THE INDIAN MANUFACTURING CO. LIMITED.

To

The Shareholders,
The Indian Manufacturing Co. Ltd.

Dear Sirs|Madam,

AN EXTRA ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Company will be held at the Registered Office of the Company, "Sir Vithaldas Chambers", 16, Apollo Street, Fort, Bombay, on Friday the 24th March 1950 at 4-30 p.m. (S.T.) to consider and if thought fit to pass resolutions as per Circular Letters already posted to the Shareholders.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
KRISHNARAJ M.D. THACKERSEY
Chairman.

Bombay, dated 24th Feb. 1950. (7235)

CENTRAL PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

SEALED TENDERS are invited by the undersigned from Registered Contractors of C.P.W.D., Provincial P.W.D., Railway and M.E.S., for the following works upto 3.00 p.m. on 3rd March 1950. Tender forms and other particulars can be had from this office on payment of Rs 5|4|- for each tender, which will not be refunded.

1 Electrification of Buildings acquired by the Central Tractors Organisation at Bairagarh Camp Bhopal (Hospital area and office Bldg). Approximate cost Rs. 18,096|-.

2. Electrification of Buildings acquired by the Central Tractors Organisation at Bairagarh Camp Bhopal (Work-shop area). Approximate cost Rs. 16,352|-.

M. M. CHAKRABARTI,
Electrical Engineer,
Central Electrical Divn.,
Central P.W.D. Bombay. (7228)

LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE.

In the matter of the Indian Companies Act VII of 1913

and

In the matter of HINDUSTAN MOTORS LTD. a Joint Stock Company registered under the Indian Companies Act and having its registered office at Baroda in the State of Bombay

and

HINDUSTAN MOTORS LTD..... Petitioners.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a Petition has been filed in the High Court of Judicature at Bombay on behalf of Hindustan Motors Ltd. for confirmation of the special resolution passed by the Company on the 23rd day of January 1950 for the transfer of their registered office from the State of Bombay to the State of West Bengal and for altering the Memorandum and Articles of Association of the Company by substituting the word "Baroda" wherever it occurs by the word "Indian" and by substituting the word "the Act" for "the Baroda Company's Act" wherever it occurs. If any of the creditors of the said Company has any objection to the confirmation by the Bombay High Court of the said special Resolution the same should be made known in writing to the undersigned at their address at Yusuf Building, 4th Floor, Mahatma Gandhi Road, Fort, Bombay, within 14 days from this date otherwise such objection shall be considered as waived.

Bombay, dated this 25th day of February 1950.

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MAHAKOSAL NEWSLETTER

Future Of Vindhya Pradesh In Melting Pot

SHUKLA-MISHRA TALKS WITH STATES MINISTRY LIKELY

(From Our Correspondent)

JUBBULPORE, (By Mail)

THE DEPARTURE on Saturday last by plane for Delhi of Pandit Ravi Shankar Shukla, Chief Minister, Madhya Pradesh along with the Home Minister, Pandit Dwarka Prasad Mishra and the Chief Secretary, Shri K. B. L. Seth, has again given an opportunity for speculation in the political circles of the State. It is felt in informed circles that the Chief Minister and the Home Minister of Madhya Pradesh may again discuss with the States Ministry, Government of India, matters relating to the future of Vindhya Pradesh, as they have not so far been decided finally one way or the other by the States Ministry.

Vindhya Pradesh has been taken over by the Government of India and it is being administered as a Chief Commissioner's Province since January 1, 1950. Shri . K. B. Pillai, I.C.S., the Chief Commissioner, had recently been to Delhi to consult the States Ministry and place certain matters relating to the administration of Vindhya Pradesh and its future before the Government of India. On his return from Delhi, Shri Pillai gave an assurance to the employees that there would be no further retrenchment of Government servants in the near future; that effective measures would be taken shortly to abolish the zamindari system; that the executive would be seperated from the judiciary and that customs duty would be replaced by sales tax.

PILLAI'S WINNING WAYS

Shri Pillai has started his administration with a policy of reconcilement to win over public support on his side. He granted an amnesty to all those persons who had been arrested, detained or prosecuted or sentenced for participating in the disturbances which had taken place at Rewa on Dec. 18, 1949 and Jan. 2, 1950, and set them at liberty. He has, however, set at rest the report regarding the prospects of an Advisory Committee to help him in the work of administration, remarking that since the political parties in Vindhya Pradesh have failed in sinking their differences and arriving at a common understanding, it would not be possible for him in the present circumstances to appoint an Advisory Committee to help him in his work.

Shri S. N. Mehta, I.C.S., the first Chief Commissioner; Shri S. D. Shukla, Inspector General of Police and Shri A. R. Jayawant, I.P., Deputy Inspector-General of Police, have returned to Madhya Pradesh after serving in Vindhya Pradesh for a prettty long time, and they have been posted to different responsible offices in this State by the Government. The period of service of Shri Murat Sahay, officer-on-special duty, which was due to expire this month, has been extended for a further period of three months by the Vindhya Government. Shri D. A. White, I.C.S., is still working as the Chief Secretary in Vindhya Pradesh, while two more senior officers of Madhya Pradesh, namely, Shri M. K. Kher, Commissioner, Bundelkhand Division and Shri G. G. Takle, Chief Conservator of Forests, who are in Vindhya Pradesh Government service, wanted to proceed on leave, but their request was not granted at this moment by the Chief Commissioner.

The Socialists have been taking full advantage of the situation which has been prevailing in Vindhya Pradesh, and they are busy intansifying their activities in the soil of the Vindhyas. The Congressmen stand divided among themselves.

CONGRESS-SOCIALIST TUSSLE

In the forthcoming election of the President of the Municipal Committee, Damoh, which has been necessitated to fill the vacancy caused by the death of the President, Shri Dwarka Prasad Shrivastava, both the Congress and the Socialist parties have decided to set up their nominees to contest the election and have a trial of strength. Shri Hoop Narayan Tandon, a contractor, is likely to be set up by the Congress while Shri Daya Shankar Shrivastava, advocate, is expected to be given a party ticket by the Socialists. In January 1949, the Congress nominee, Dr. B. D. Dua, was defeated by the late Shri D. P. Shrivastava, in the civic elections.

The Jubbulpore city and cantonment police have arrested a number of boys, several of whom are students of local schools for alleged theft of cycles, house-breaking and burglary. A considerable portion of stolen property is also reported to have been recovered from the possession of these juvanile suspects.

Owing to the damage which has been caused to wheat, gram and other standing winter crops by frost, which had followed the recent cold-wave, the prices of what and gram have gone up by 5 p.c. in Jubbulpore within the last three days. Rabi jowar has not been growing well for want of moisture in the soil. Threshing of kharif jowar is nearly completed. Harvesting of rabi crops has commenced at places.

PROCUREMENT OF RICE

The total procurement of rice from the commencement of this season now stands at 74,445 tons as against 72,495 tons of the previous year. The total procurement of jowar amounts to 261 tons as against 53 tons of the previous year. Wheat procurement is saitisfactory. In the first week of February, 214 tons of wheat were procured.

Prices of rice and jowar indicated a noticeable increase by about 12 annas per maund during the current fortnight. The prices of pulses, tuar and urid have also shown an upward tendency while the gur position continued to be satisfactory and sugar position showed a market improvement, which made the Deputy Commissioner of Jubbulpore and Nagpur to increase the quota of sugar supply to the sugar ration card holders by 100 p.c. as against the supply made to them in the month of January last. An unit will now fetch 2 chataks of sugar as against its basic value of 1 chatak. The liberal supply of sugar has brouht down the price of this sweet commodity in the black market by 100 p.c.

SIGNALS CORPS WEEK

Arrangements on an elaborate scale, are afoot in Jubbulpore for the forthcoming "Re-Union Week" of the Corps of Signals which commences on March 3 next. Among the distinguished visitors on the occasion will be General K. M. Cariappa, Commander-in-Chief, India, who is also the Colonel-Commandant of the Corps, and Brigadier Akehurst, Signals Officer-in-Chief of the Corps. General Cariappa will take the salute at the Ceremonial Parade to be held on March 9, at 8 a.m. while Brigadier Akehurst will deliver his opening address on March 7 and his closing address on March 10. All senior serving officers of the Corps are expected to attend the celebrations which will conclude on March 10.

A feature of the week will be the introduction of the C-in-C to about 200 pensioners of all ranks, among whom will be a former Orderly to His Majesty the King. A special day has been set aside for these pensioners to visit all the departments of the Signal Training Centre, Jubbulpore, in order to show them how the Corps has advanced since their time and what developments have been introduced during and after the Great War. Among the pensioners who will attend the celebrations, there will be six members of the British Empire two British Empire medalists, 28 Indian Distinguished Service medalists; two who gained the Indian Order of merit, 23 Military medalists and 19 O.B.I's.

The programme during the week will include Inter-Command competitions in Hockey, Football, Volley Ball, Basket Ball and Rifle and Pistol competitions, in all of which teams from Army Head Quarters and the Signal Training Centre, Jubbulpore, will also take part. During the week the Narmada Club will hold a fancy dress dance which will be attended by the C-in-C.

About 15 years ago, a similar function was held in Jubbulpore.

EACH ONE TEACH ONE

Mr. Justice K. T. Mangalmurti, I.C.S., Puisne Judge, High Court, Nagpur, arrived at Jubbulpore on the evening of Sunday last and performed the opening ceremony of an Art and Crafts Exhibition, which was arranged in the Victoria Town Hall by the Social Education Committee, Jubbulpore.

Speaking on the occasion before a public meeting, which was held under the presidentship of Dr. S. C. Barat, Justice Mangalmurti threw light on the advantages of social education and exhorted the people to take the vow "Each One Teach One". He said, if individuals were reformed, society would be reformed without much difficulty. Every one of us, he observed, must learn to do his part and discharge the part of his responsibility and build the national character. He narrated his personal experiences which he had gained during his stay in England and called upon the people to follow the example of the Western countries in patriotism, devotion to duty and love for character. Shri Mangalmurthi discouraged "book-knowledge" and advised the spread of practical training among the students so that they may become experts in their lines in due course.

The president, Dr. Barat appealed to the people to lend their helping hand in the noble mission of the spread of education among adults.

FAREWELL PARTY TO SIR T. ELMHIRST

NEW DELHI, Feb. 26 (PTI): Director of Air Headquarters gave a farewell party in honour of Air Marshal Sir Thomas and Lady Elmhirst, at the Defence Services Club, Irwin Stadium, last evening.

The U.K. High Commissioner and Lady Nye, Mr. H. M. Patel, Defence Secretary, General K. M. Cariappa, C-in-C Army, Air Marshal Ronald Ivelew-Chapman, C-in-C, I.A.F., Air Vice Marshal S. Mukerjee, Deputy Air Commander, Air Commodores A. M. Engineer, Narendra and D. A. R. Nanda and their wives were among those present.

Replying to the toast proposed by group Capt. S. N. Goyal, Director of Organisation, Air Marshal Sir Thomas Elmhirst thanked his host and reiterated his good wishes and belief in the bright future of the Indian Air Force which, he said, he had great honour and pleasure to command.

MAHA VIR CHAKRA AWARD

NEW DELHI, Feb. 26 (PTI): Brigadier Rajendra Singh, has been posthumously awarded the Maha Vir Chakra for gallantry in battle during the Kashmir operations.

Brigadier Rajendra Singh belonged to the ruling Jamwal Rajput family of Kashmir and had a distinguished line of soldier ancestors.

Make Machines Yourselves

AMERICAN EXPERT'S ADVICE TO INDIA

BANGALORE, Feb. 26 (PTI)—Mr. S. A. Trone, American industrial expert and industrial adviser to the Government of India, told PTI today that his report to the Government of India was an overall one intended for the industrial development of the country as a whole.

The main problem, Mr. Trone said, was how to make the millions of unproductive people in the country productive. If this objective was recognised, the methods of achieving it could be developed.

The only way to create more wealth, Mr. Trone added, was naturally to use machines in addition to human hands. "You cannot go on buying machines from abroad; you must learn to make machines yourselves. Otherwise industrialisation and the development of agriculture is impossible", he said.

JAPAN'S EXAMPLE

Drawing a parallel with conditions in Japan where a very considerable part of the national production came out of small scale village industries, Mr. Trone said much of the industrial production in India could similarly come out of village industrial co-operatives if property organised.

Mr. Trone's report to the Government of India is understood to have been based on a realistic evaluation of India's industrial needs and includes development of agriculture as part of the general plan. The Government of India is believed to have sent copies of the report to the State Governments for their opinion.

SIEVING TOWN REFUSE

New Mechanical Screen

NEW DELHI, Feb. 26 (P.T.I.): A mechanically operated screen for sieving town refuse, capable of turning out a ton of finished compost at a cost of Rs. 1/7/- only has been designed at the Indian Agricultural Research Institute, New Delhi.

The screen is worked in conjunction with a tractor operated loader which can discharge approximately 10 tons of material per hour into the screen. An elevator which enables the finished material to be loaded direct into waiting trucks or carts has been fixed with the screen so that at none of the stages of operation, manual labour would be necessary to handle the refuse.

The mechanical screen which is an improvement on the hand-operated screen designed previously at the Institute, needs only seven men to prepare 6 to 7 tons of finished compost per hour. The new screen is now under fabrication and it is hoped to commence screening operations in last week of March or early April.

TRAINING IN ENGINEERING

Institute To Be Set Up In West Bengal

NEW DELHI, Feb. 25: On the advice of the All India Council of Technical Education, the Government of India have decided to set up forthwith the Eastern Higher Technical Institute at Hijli, in the district of Midnapore, West Bengal, it was learnt here.

In order that the Institute may start functioning effectively at an early date, Government have appointed a Board of Governors for the Institute.

Dr. B. C. Roy, Chief Minister, West Bengal, has been appointed Chairman of the Board.

The establishment of this Institute was originally recommended by an Ad Hoc Committee appointed by the Government of India to report on the development of higher technical institutions in India. That Committee recommended the establishment of four institutions—one in the east, one in the west, one in the north and one in the South—to satisfy the requirements of the country.

The Eastern Higher Technical Institution, when fully developed, will provide extensive facilities for the training of 2,000 under-graduates and 1,000 post-graduates and research students in various branches of engineering and technology.

GIRL GUIDES MERGE WITH SCOUTS

NEW DELHI, Feb. 26 (P.T.I.): The General Council of the Girl Guides Association of India at its all-India session here yesterday agreed to merge itself with the Hindusthan Scout Association and the Boy Scouts Association.

In a resolution the General Council said that the merger was being agreed to with a view to affording equal opportunities and suitable training to girls, provided, that "the administration and training of girls be in the hands of women both at the Centre and in the States, with a woman National Organising Commissioner working under a woman Chief Commissioner".

The Hindu Sabha observed "Hyderabad Day" throughout Hyderabad on Sunday. Resolutions voicing resentment against the appointment of the Nizam as Rajpramukh of Hyderabad were passed at public meetings.

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HINDU: Falgun Shud 10 2006.
MUSLIM: Jamadi-ul-Avaal, 1369.
PARSI: Shekrever 28, 1319.
SUNRISE 7-0 a.m.
SUNSET 6-43 p.m.
HIGHTIDE 06-10, 21-37.
LOWTIDE 01-48, 13-26.

Today's Engagements

AT YOU TODAY: Debate at YOU (subject "Modern Youth is Wiser than his Forefather"), Cama Library Hall, 6-15 p.m. today (Monday).

BOMBAY MUNICIPAL CORPORATION: General meeting at 3-40 p.m. in the Corporation Hall.

FELICITATIONS: Social function in honour of Mr. Salebhai K. Kapadia, at Ambassador Hotel, Churchgate Reclamation, 5 p.m.

P.E.N.: Lecture by Dr. P. N. Rao on "Logic and Intuition in Indian philosophy" at Town Hall, 6-15 p.m. Dr. P. V. Kane will preside.

Employment Exchange Activities

BOMBAY, Sunday.

Employment Service reports for December 1949 showed that after five months' persistent fall, an increase in placings had been achieved during the month, for the second time in succession. The number of persons who were found employment through the Employment Exchanges, District Employment offices and special employment Bureau for highly qualified displaced persons was 1950, including 2,331 displaced persons 502 discharged Government employees and 759 women, as compared with a total of 18,510 placings during the previous month.

Notwithstanding the increase in placings, the employment situation remained unsatisfactory. This damped the enthusiasm for registration and was reflected in a fall in the number of persons seeking employment assistance, the total number of registrations being 71,819 as against 77,317 during the previous month.

Government House News

BOMBAY, Sunday.

The Governor of Bombay and Rani Maharaj Singh received Mr. and Mrs. J. Rodrigues.

His Excellency received Mr. Dharmadhikari.

Mrs. Rowland-Jones has left.

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DR. HARDIKAR JUBILEE

Presentation Of Purse Proposed

BOMBAY, Sunday: The All India Committee of Dr. N. S. Hardikar's Diamond Jubilee Celebrations has issued an appeal for funds for celebrating in a fitting manner his 61st birthday which falls on May 7.

The Committee, in the course of the appeal, gave an account of the early career of Dr. Hardikar and stated: "It was Dr. Hardikar and he alone who was responsible in those troubled days to think of and organise a volunteer movement. As a matter of fact, the Hindustani Seva Dal, which owes its origin to Dr. Hardikar, was formed during the Nagpur flag agitation when batches of volunteers from different parts of the country went to Nagpur with the tri-colour flag to court arrest and imprisonment. That was the first organised agitation of its nature and it was felt that if a similar agitation had to be carried in an organised manner with greater strength, it was essential for India's young men, willing to sacrifice and anxious for furthering the cause of Indian freedom, to undergo the necessary preliminary training in discipline and organisation.

AMERICAN INSPIRATION

"Dr. Hardikar who had just then returned from the United States with feelings of admiration for the organised manner in which the young men of that country were conducting themselves, conceived the idea of forming a similar organisation of trained and disciplined young men and women of this country".

The Committee said that Dr. Hardikar could appropriately be called "the Father of the Hindusthani Seva Dal" for his part in the struggle for freedom and for the training given to volunteers. It was therefore proposed to celebrate his diamond jubilee "in a manner befitting our national heroes".

The main function will be held in Bombay, when it is proposed to offer him a purse and a volume containing writings about volunteer organisations and himself.

Mr. S. K. Patil, Mayor and President of the Bombay Provincial Congress Committee, is the chairman of the Committee, and members include Mr. R. R. Diwakar, Minister of State for Information, Mr. Hare Krishna Mehtab, Chief Minister of Orissa, Mr. Yusuf Meherally, Socialist leader.

TODAY'S RADIO

AIR NEWS FROM DELHI

MONDAY, Feb. 27.

English—8 a.m. 1-30 p.m. 6, 9, Gujarati 8-45 a.m. 1 p.m. 8-15; Hindustani 8-15 a.m. 1-40 p.m. 6-10. 9-15, Kannada 7-45 a.m. 7-45 p.m.; Malayalam 7-30 a.m. 7-30 p.m.; Marathi 8-30 a.m. 12-50 p.m. 8; Tamil 7-15 a.m. 7-15 p.m., Telugu 7 a.m. 1-50 p.m. 7 p.m.

BOMBAY

7-30 a.m. Bhor Bhaee. 7-35 Physical Education. 7-40 Today's Programme. 7-45 R. K. Antani, G. Geet. 8-15 K. G. Muzumdar, Ramkali. 12-45 p.m. Tantrakari. 12-50 R. K. Antani, G. Geet. 1-40 Dance Music. 5-0 Hindi by Radio, 5-20 Ashalata Bokil, Violin. 5-30 Sunil Athavankar, Puria. 6-10 Music Lessons. 6-30 K. G. Muzumdar, Barun. 7-0 Insti Music. 7-10 Locals. 7-20 B. J. Mankame, M. Songs. 7-30 R. K. Antani. G. Bhajans. 7-45 For Industrial Workers. 8-30 Forest Improvement, G. Talk. 8-45 Month's Song. 9-15 Ashalata Bokil, Violin. 9-30 Film Songs. 9-45 Bombay Diary. 10-0 Pilloo Umrigar, Soprano. 10-15 Birminghma City Orch., 10-40 Goan Folk Songs.

VARIATIONS

8-0 a.m. Ashalata Bokil, Violin. 8-45 B. J. Mankame, M. Cong. 1-0 p.m. Kusum Athavale, M. Songs. 1-10 Morning & Afternoon Raags. 1-50 For Women. 5-0 Hindi by Radio. 6-0 B. J. Mankame, Vocal. 6-20 For Rural Listeners. 7-30 Commercial News. 8-15 Kusum Athavale, M. Songs. 9-0 S. Raghaviah, K. Songs. 10-0 P. M. Antia, G. Drama, "Lover of Music". 10-30 Sunil Athlankar, Kedara.

BARODA

7-30 a.m. Vandana. 7-40 Yogic Exercises. 7-45 & 8-10 As in Ahmedabad. 5-30 p.m. As in Ahmedabad. 5-45 K. K. Bidwe, Shahnai. 6-10 Hindi Lessons. 6-30 For Rural Listeners. 7-0 As in Ahmedabad. 7-15 Our Province, G. Talk. 7-30 K. K. Widwe, Shahnai. 7-45 A. H. Khan, Ghazal. 8-0 Raag Shreni. 8-10 Locals, 8-30 T. K. R. Hussain, Geets. 8-45 As in Ahmedabad. 9-30 Records Story.

AHMEDABAD

7-30 a.m. As in Baroda. 7-40 Physical Exercises. 7-45 N. Arjandas, Dilruba. 8-15 Vadya Sangeet. 8-30 A. Bhagat, Bhajans. 5-30 p.m. A. Bhagat, Bhajans. 5-45 As in Baroda. 6-10 Hindi Lessons. 6-30 N. Arjandas, Dilruba. 7-0 Our India, Songs. 7-15 Our Province, G. Talk. 7-30 For Industrial Workers. 8-0 K. Joshi, Raag Shreni. 8-10 Locals. 8-30 As in Baroda. 8-45 M. Desai, "Prakruti-Varnannan" Geets. 9-30 N. Arjandas, Dilruba.

B. B. C.

GENERAL OVERSEAS SERVICE: 6-45 Life in Britain. 7 Tip-Top Tunes. 7-30 London Forum. 8 Ray's A Laugh. 8-45 London Light Concert Orchestra. 10 Variety Bandbox with Reg Dixon. 11 B.B.C. Midland Light Orchestra. 12-45 Programme Parade. 1 John Bull's Band, 1-30 Concerto. 2-30 Under the Greenwood Tree. 3 Music for Dancing. 4 Military Band. 4-45 Listeners' Choice. 5-15 Generally Speaking. 6-45 John Cameron. 7 The Women's Programme. 7-45 Variety Bandbox. 8-45 B.B.C. Midland Light Orchestra. 9-15 Commonwealth Survey. 9-48 Music From Grand Hotel. 10-30 Science Review.

EASTERN SERVICE: 7-30 p.m. Question and Answer. 8 Aj Ke Mehman. 8-5 Jam-I-Jam. 8-20 Masali-I-Hazira 8-30 Vichas Sabha. 8-45 Halki Dhun Men.

Ambassador Presents Credentials

His Excellency M. Jens Schive, the Norwegian Minister in India, presenting his credentials to Dr. Rajendra Prasad, President of the Indian Republic, at the Government House on February 21—PIB.

CAMPAIGN AGAINST CORRUPTION

Seventeen Persons Trapped

BOMBAY, Sunday.

THE Anti-Corruption Branch of the Greater Bombay Police took action against 17 persons, including some public servants, during January last.

Three of them were dealt with for offenres relating to bribery and corruption, five for breach of the food rationing regulations, two for cheating and three for gambling and one each for receiving pugree from tenants of a building under threats of ejectment, for helping a bootlegger and gambler to cary on illicit trade in satta and liquor, for fabrricating evidence in certain gambling cases and for making a false statement favourable to an accused in a departmental inquiry.

During the month, one Sub-Inspector and one head constable of the Greater Bombay Police were dismissed from service on grounds of corruption. In addition, one Deputy Inspector, one Sub-Inspector, one Head Constable and one Constable were suspended from service pending investigation of charges of bribery and corruption against them.

MOFUSSIL CASES

During the same period, the Anti-Corruption Branch of the Bombay State Police took action against 45 persons, 27 of whom were dealt with for offences of bribery and corruption, two of offences under the Bombay Prohibition Act, four for receiving pugree from prospective tenants, three for hoarding and illegally transporting iron, steel and rice, three for misconduct and six for offences under the Motor Vehicles Act and Rules. One of them was a Police Surgeon, who was strapped while accepting an illegal gratification of Rs. 50 from a mill-hand, as a consideration for giving him a certificate in respect of injuries sustained by him in an accident while on duty.

CONVICTIONS

Sub-Inspector Sam Aderji Bharucha, of the CID, attached to the Security Branch, Thana District, was convicted and sentenced to suffer one year's rigorous imprisonment and pay a fine of Rs. 1,000 in default to suffer six months' further imprisonment by the Presidency Magistrate, Esplanade, Bombay. He was charged with accepting an illegal gratification of Rs. 50 from a mill-hand, as a consideration for giving him a certificate in respect of injuries sustained by him in an accident while on duty.

Mr. Narayan Ramji Kambli, an Inspector of the Housing Department, who had been trapped by the Branch in September 1948 for accepting an illegal gratification of Rs. 300, was convicted and sentenced to suffer six months' rigorous imprisonment and pay a fine of Rs. 500, in default to suffer four months' rigorous imprisonment by the Presidency Magistrate, Esplanade Bombay.

The appeals filed by Mr. Gokulchand Dwarkadas Morarka and Mr. Damjibhai Jetha Shah against their convictions nd sentences passed by the Presidency Magistrate, Esplanade, were dismissed by the High Court. Their sentences were, however, enhanced. Mr. Morarka's sentence of six months' rigorous imprisonment was enhanced to one year's while Mr. Shah's sentence of three months' rigorous imprisonment was enhanced to six months'.

Messrs. Musaji Dawood and Gulambhai Morarbhai, of Kathor and Talodra respectively, in Surat Disrict, were convicted under the Motor Vehicles Act and sentenced to pay fines of Rs. 20 and Rs. 5 respectively.

HINDU CODE BILL WELCOMED

Dr. Jayakar Endorses Main Principles

BOMBAY, Sunday.

Dr. M. R. Jayakar today endorsed the underlying principles of the Bill for the Enactment of the Hindu Code, now pending before the Parliament. Dr. Jayakar who was presiding over the Bombay Provincial Hindu Bill Conference, said that the new legislation as embodied in the Code was simple, natural and progressive, and could therefore fit into the new pattern to which the Hindu society had to adjust itself.

Dr. Jayakar said that the removal of inequalities among the different strata of Hindu society, raising the status of women, and establishing equality of the sexes before the law were some of the fundamental principles underlying the Bill. These were really welcome. There were, however, certain "defects," which required to be rectified by the law-makers, he said. For instance, the legislators had done away at 'one stroke of pen with "the customary law". He hoped that this, and such other lacunac would be filled in by those concerned

The Code deserved the support of Hindu women. He felt that the reform of the existing law, relating to marriage, divorce, succession and maintenance would certainly raise and strengthen their position in the family.

RESOLUTION

Replying to the critics of the Bill Dr. Jaykar said that Parliament had a right to deal with social legislation of this type. He reminded them that the Legislature had done so in the past.

The conference unanimously passed a resolution supporting and recommending to the Parliament such provisions of the Hindu Code Bill, as equality of sexes before the law and within the family, the right of women to inherit, hold and dispose of according to their wishes the property of the family, the relaxation of the rigidity of the caste system; the continuation of the Sarda Act which forbids child marriage the radical modification of the order of intestate succession and the abolition of the system of joint family property

By another resolution the conference expressed the opinion that it was unnecessary to take further steps for consultation of public opinion on the Bill in view of the fact that there had been sufficient consultation of this kind durng the last ten years. The resolution appealed to the Government of India and the Parliament, to place the Bill on the Statute Book without further delay, and trusted that in the event of further consultation, the main principles and the essential features of the Bill would not be whittled down.

Earlier, Mr. N. M. Joshi, noted labour leader, welcomed Dr. Jayakar. Among those present was the Finance Minister Mr. V. L. Mehta.

Cement Workers' Federation Convention

On Saturday (4th) and Sunday (5th) March, there will be held the first convention of the cement workers' convention of India to form their federation under the presidentship of Janab Abidali Jafferbhoy. The Federation will be affiliated to the Indian National Trade Union Congress and will represent more than 30,000 workers working in the cement industry in India. Shri. Shantilal Shah will address.

A. Reception Committee has been elected for the convention consisting of the following:—President Mr. H. N. Trivedi, J.P., Vice-President Mr. K. P. Iyer, General Secretary Mr B. R. Divekar, Organising Secretary Mr. R. G. Joshi, M.A., LL.B.

Plea For Exemption From Sales Tax

BOMBAY, Sunday.

The Bombay Poultry Merchants and Commission Agents' Association are renewing their efforts to get poultry exempted from Sales Tax, as it once was. The Association had sent a memorandum and then a deputation to the Bombay Ministry in this connection, but they had been informed that their request could not be acceded to. The Association is meeting Mr. M. Y. Nurie, who was their adviser in this matter tomorrow and request him to intercede on their behalf.

'REPRESSION' OF WORKERS

AITUC's Protest

BOMBAY, Sunday.

A resolution condemning the alleged repression of workers, peasants, students and the movements of toilers, by the Government, was adopted by the General Council of the All-India Trade Union Congress, held here today.

The resolution further called upon the workers, peasants and people in the country to observe March 18 as Anti-Repression Day. This was to be done by holding protest demonstrations, meetings, processions and strikes, whichever was possible and effective.

The resolution said, inter alia, that during the last three years the Government had imprisoned without trial over 25,000 leaders of workers and peasants. Thousands of others were prosecuted on false charges, and convicted without being allowed any facility for their defence. The Government had also resorted to lathi-charges and firing in various jails, as a result of which 32 leaders had been killed since June last. Firing was also resorted to against demonstrations of workers. This had taken a toll of 38 lives.

By another resolution the Council "rejected" the present constitution of the Indian Republic, and called upon the people to rally the working classes all over the country for a people's constitution.

Countrymade Bombs Seized In City

BOMBAY, Sunday.

Six country-made bombs and over forty cartridges were seized by the C.I.D. during surprise raids on several places of Communist affiliation in the city today. Two Communists are arrested.

The search goes on and more arrests are expected.

Communist Arrested In Cuttack

CUTTACK Feb. 26 (UPI): One Kalyan Mazumdar, stated to be a Communist, was arrested here in the railway station area.

The police searched the BNR Labour Union office and seized posters relating to the Field Labour Conference which is proposed to be held.

The local Communist Party Office and residences of some Communists were also searched and some papers are reported to have been seized.

MANIPURI DANCING CLASSES

BOMBAY, Sunday.

"Bharatiya Kala Kendra the Cultural Wing of the Bharatiya Vidya Bhavan—is expanding its activites.

In the wake of their recently opened Garba Classes, today the inauguration of their Manipuri Dancing Classes was performed by Smt. Lilavati Munshi. Speaking on the occasion, she emphasised the importance of reviving art in all its different facets, and making people more and more "art conscious".

Rajkumar Priya Gopal Singh, of Manipur State, Director of the Dancing Classes, is one of the greatest exponents of Manipuri Dancing Technique. Regular classes for different courses will be held.

Shri Navin T. Khandvala, Secretary of the Kala Kendra, proposed a vote of thanks".

THUNDERSHOWERS IN MALABAR

All-India Weather

POONA, Feb. 26 (P.T.I.): The following is the daily weather summary for Sunday.

Weather has been dry over the country except for local thundershowers in Malabar and a few showers in Assam and South East Madras.

Night temperatures were appreciably below normal in the East Punjab, the East United Provinces, Bihar, Chota Nagpur, Gangetic West Bengal and the South Bombay Deccan.

Forecast valid until Monday evening: Local thundershowers will occur in South Malabar and scattered showers in South East Madras, North Malabar and Mysore. Isolated light showers also possible along the North Madras coast and in Upper Assam.

The following is the daily weather chart showing the maximum and minimum temperatures and rainfall in inches during the past 24 hours, with total rainfall from 1st December 1949, and departure from normal recorded at 8-30 a.m. I.S.T. on 26th February 1950:—

Ahmedabad 89 60 0 0 minus 0.1; Allahabad 83 53 0 1.3 minus 0.6; Bangalore 84 67 0 0.2 minus 0.8; Baroda 91 53 0 0 minus 0.3; Bhavnagar 87 59 0 0 minus 0.2; Bhopal 86 1 0.6 0; Bhuj 85 56 0 0 minus 0.3; BOMBAY 82 66 0 0 minus 0.3; Cherrapunji 59 47 0 3.8 plus 0.6; Darjiling 53 39 0 1.6 minus 0.3; Gwalior 75 48 0 0.1 —; Gulbarga 93 59 0 0.5 minus 0.5; Hyderabad (Dn.) 90 68 0 — 1.6 plus 0.6; Indore 87 51 0 0 minus 0.7; Jaipur 83 50 0 0 minus 1.0; Jamshedpur 86 55 0 0.5 —; Jubbulpore 83 55 0 0.7 minus 1.2; Kanpur 82 51 0 1.1 minus 0.4; Khandwa 93 57 0 0.1 minus 0.7; Kodaikanal 62 51 0 3.5 minus 6 1; Kolhapur 90 53 0 0 —; Kurnool 93 71 0 0.1 minus 0.5; Mahabaleshwar 79 58 0 0 minus 0.5; Mangalore 82 68 0 0 minus 0.7; Mussoorie 56 42 0 5.7 minus 1.7; Mysore 91 69 0 0.8 0; Ootacamund 67 47 0 1.4 minus 2.0; Panchmarhi 78 52 0 1.2 minus 0.5; Patiala 77 45 0 3.3 —; Poona 92 57 0 0 minus 0.3; Rajkot 88 58 0 0 minus 0.2; Shillong 60 40 0 2.0 plus 0.2; Sholapur 96 57 0 0.1 minus 0.6; Simla 52 38 0 7.3 plus 0.7; Surat 93 61 0 0 minus 0.3.

BEWARE OF BOGUS INSTITUTIONS

Offer Of Speedy Technical Education

BOMBAY, Sunday.

A press note says:

Students wishing to enter any course of technical and industrial education in the branches of Engineering—Mechanical, Electrical and Radio-Textiles, Applied Chemistry, Tailoring, etc.,—are advised in their own interest to ascertain from the Joint Director of Technical Education, Elphinstone Technical High School Building, Cruickshank Road, Bombay 1 (Post Box 1967), whether or not a particular institution which they intend to join is recognized by the Government of Bombay.

They are warned that the practice of starting mushroom institutions with promises of imparting technical education in a short time and of charging comparatively heavy fees is growing in the State. A reference by letter to, or a personal contact with, the office of the Joint Director of Technical Education, will save them a lot of trouble, which is likely to result for want of authoritative information as to the bona fides of such institutions.

NO CHANGE IN FOO CONTROL

Recalcitrance Will Not Pay, Says Govt.

BOMBAY, Sunday.

It has come to the notice of th Government, says an official press not that producers in certain areas are n selling their surplus grain to the Go ernment in the expectation that the may be some change in the existi system of food controls. The Gover ment of Bombay, after consultati with the Government of India, wou like to make it clear that there no intention whatsoever to make ar alteration in the existing structure controls or to reduce their commi ments in any part of the State. C the contrary, the Government of Ind has stressed the vital necessity of th Bombay Government redoubling efforts in maximising internal procur ment of foodgrains.

It is incumbent, therefore, on ever producer to sell his surplus grain the Government as quickly as po sible.

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SECURITY OF THE STATE

The grounds on which Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel, Home Minister, Government of India, advocated adoption of the Preventive Detention Bill, are rather unfortunate He said that unless the measure was adopted, "a grave peril to the security of the State is involved." It is this that had to be proved and the remark that the action of several State High Courts in declaring the different provincial acts inconsistent with the Constitution and setting some detenus free on that basis is hardly proof of the "grave peril". The Home Minister dwelt on the necessity of saving the State that had been brought about by the "sufferings and sacrifices of millions of our people" and on the dangers of Communists whose inspiration culture and methods are of "a foreign stamp." These are feeble arguments which do not carry conviction. Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru has told the Americans that the Indian Constitution has been modelled closely on the American which is certainly "inspiration of a foreign stamp". We have travelled far from the days when everything foreign was rejected. As for the sufferings and sacrifices of the people, we have been told that we must dwell on the past but look forward. There is no reason why these should be brought out only as a reason for justifying "preventive detention". The Home Minister rightly waved aside the references to South American countries as irrelevant to the discussion of emergency legislation for India. He would have done well to have dropped these irrelevancies also and kept to the main argument which was the justification for the measure.

The necessity for a preventive detention measure is obvious. Sardar Patel gave the example of Calcutta. Other members referred to other trouble spots in the country. When an organised party instructs its members to resort openly to lawless agitation, it seems the obvious thing to ban the party outright. The Government of India, however, for some reason unknown, is extremely reluctant to take the obvious course, but contents itself with moving against those who indulge in violent acts. This is a policy which involves greater hardship because it often tends to rope in the less important tools of astute politicians. It places a greater strain on the people by giving a long rope to the party. Sardar Patel did not only establish that those who broke the law should be restrained, he even showed that the Communists as a group were intent on exploiting Democracy by relying on its protection to flout the law. But he failed to explain why the Communist Party was tolerated when the Government had all the necessary evidence to proceed against it. It is surprising that none of the participants in the debate, many of whom declared their antipathy to Communism and not only the Communist Party, asked this question of the Home Minister. It would make the work of administration much easier if such a ban were imposed and had the Government of India sought the sanction of the Parliament for it, it would have readily been granted.

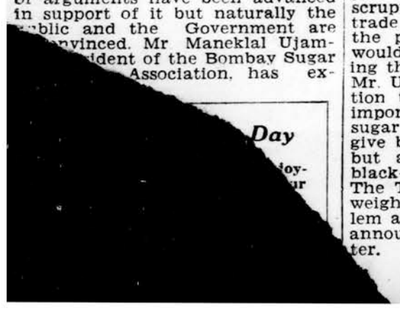
There were two references in the Home Minister's speech which are interesting: One was his mention of anti-social elements which were raising their heads; the other was his reference to the castes, communities and religions in India. These points suggest that the Preventive Detention Act will not only be used to deal with political unrest but also to preserve the social and economic objectives of the State. This is a very necessary promise and it is to be hoped that it will be implemented by the Government of India and the State Governments. It should not be said that the destructive elements in the country are preventing progress and holding the Government to a kind of stalemate. The Home Minister's speech has shown in abundant measure that the nation cannot stand still: It must either go ahead or slip back. And the Government must see that the choice is progress.

Britain's Dilemma

The decision of the British Labour Party to form a Government despite its bare majority and not to form a coalition or to resort to another general election is a wise one. The strain on the party members who have been elected and particularly on those who form the Cabinet, will, no doubt, be a heavy one but there is no choice in the matter. General elections are not to be lightly resorted to and public opinion in Britain has not been very eager for another trial of strength so soon. There has been a great deal of comment on the elimination of the Communists and of the extreme Labour element in the elections. What has not been mentioned is that the same consideration that led to this result was also probably instrumental in reducing the labour majority to the extent it did. The record voting, 85 per cent of the total electorate, indicates that there has been a greater political interest and that the indifferent groups have been drawn to the polls. This must be taken to mean that the middle classes who are generally indifferent to exert themselves, have shaken off their lethargy. According to reports the voting divided between working classes for the Labour Party and the middle classes, the white collar men and women, for the Conservatives. It is also anticipated that British Labour will pursue a policy now of greater attention to the problems of the section of the community, and that it will drop the more controversial of its programmes. It would be a dangerous policy to effect too drastic a change from that which it has so far pursued as it might reduce Labour to a position somewhat analogous to that of the Liberals, and help to consolidate the present gain of the Tories. There has been little in the Labour programme that could be regarded as discriminating in favour of the working classes, against the middle classes; and there is no reason to think that by placating the middle classes, Labour will gain more than it will lose. Incidentally, it is a curious phenomenon of the class struggle developing under peaceful conditions in a democracy and it will be interesting to see how it will resolve itself now that the issues seem fairly clear cut. The Labour leaders have always entertained the feeling in Britain that the Conservatives "played the game" whilst the Communists could not be trusted to do so. The voting at the elections might be taken to confirm this feeling and to reflect it. The result is that Britain is again back with the two-party system and labour has been accepted as more "British" than Socialist. The elimination of the Liberals, unless it can be set down to their opposition to conscription which marked them out from the Labour and Conservative Parties, must be taken as an indication of Britain's rejection of the middle path. It is not only a return to two parties. One is tempted to ask whether it is, for all the affirmation of national characteristics, the beginning of the emergence of two nations.

Sugar Control

The sugar merchants have to thank themselves if they have lost their trade because of controls. No Government imposes restrictions on trade for the fun of it. It has enough and more to occupy its time. By its own greed, corruption and malpractices the trade itself brought down the wrath of controls on its head. Government interference has secured for the general public sugar, though not in plenty. Rationing has made it possible for every family to get sugar. For some time now there has been an inspired agitation for lifting of the sugar control. All sorts of arguments have been advanced in support of it but naturally the public and the Government are unconvinced. Mr Maneklal Ujamshi, President of the Bombay Sugar Merchants Association, has expressed a few pious platitudes like "the merchants should give up hoarding and black-marketing—such illegal money will degrade us—the income-tax goes to the treasury of our own Government—the merchant community should cooperate in raising our country to prosperity." There is, no doubt, that sugar manufacturers, middlemen and traders are all anxious that the controls should be lifted But what guarantee have we that the past discreditable performance would not be repeated? Will the trade give an assurance to the people and the Government? It is just likely that because of the unscrupulous among them the whole trade has to suffer But neither the people nor the Government would like to take the risk of landing the country into another mess Mr. Ujamshi suggests as a precaution that the Government should import two lakh tons of foreign sugar to stabilise prices This will give back the trade to the dealer but at the same time prevent black-marketing and hoarding The Tariff Board has presented a weighty report on the whole problem and it is time the Government announced its decision on the matter.



Tete-a-Tete

WITHOUT COMMENT.

LABOUR:	315
CONSERVATIVES:	294
LIBERALS:	9
IRISH NATIONALISTS:	2
PENDING:	5
	625

—British General Election Results.

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A contemporary describes the new Anglo-American resolution on the Kashmir question as the McNaughton formula in a new disguise.

But a strikingly crystalline, transparent creation.

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Almost every one in the Security Council lobbies is reported to be asking the question: Would India accept the resolution?

We could answer that question. But we don't want to be rude to Great Britain and to the United States of America.

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Supporting the new Kashmir resolution in the Security Council, Britain's Sir Alexander Cadogan solemnly declared: "The issue is one which demands that we should proceed unflinchingly to do what we conceive to be right."

How and why that "right" has been conceived is another and an entirely irrelevant question.

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"We must" Sir Alexander Cadogan also pronounced, "do all we can to make effective the code of good conduct that is contained in our charter."

May we smile?

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Introducing in Parliament the Preventive Detention Bill Sardar Patel pointed to the contrast between British and Indian Communists and asked "Do the British Communists take to violence of this nature? Do they remove rails? Do they dislocate communications? Do they set fire to public property? Do they attack warders in jail and kill them?"

Comrades Harry Pollitt and R. Palme Dutt should immediately issue authoritative answers on behalf the British and Indian communists.

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The Minister for Overseas Territories has declared in the French National Assembly that France would "scrupulously respect" the result of this referendum to decide the future of the French Settlements in India.

Would the referendum, the result whereof France would 'scrupulously respect" be scrupulously fair and free too?

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The Minister, by the way, revealed that the French Government had been able to agree with the Indian Government only on one point: the holding of a referendum.

We understand. We understand.

Defence Services Notes

WHAT PRICE WAR?

(By Our Special Correspondent)

NEW DELHI, By Air.

THE QUESTION everyone is asking today: will there be war? The Prime Minister sensed the danger and suggested a no war Indo-Pakistan declaration. This statement is not forthcoming, because as the Prime Minister wisely interpreted, Pakistan does want to settle some questions by war. The grim tragedy of East Bengal, since then has overshadowed everything and compelled the Prime Minister to say "we may have to adopt other methods", leaving it to Pakistan to guess what other methods could be.

It will be seen that Prime Minister's approach all along has been "can war be averted? For an answer, let me quote Mr. Liddell Hart. He says "I used to think that causes of war were economic. I came to think that they were more psychological. I am now coming to think that they are decidedly personal; arising from the defects and ambitions of those who have the power to influence the current of nations." It may be that Rulers of Pakistan can only retain their power by hurling their people against India. One way to avert the tragedy could be to convince the people of Pakistan that it is not in their interests to wage war against India. Lt. General E. N. Goddard has tried to instil this wisdom by a warning that "devoid of industries, largely deficient in trained officers and technical personnel, educationally more backward than India, and with two long and vulnerable frontiers, it will require not only wise statesmanship but also much self-denial by all concerned if Pakistan were to emerge successfully from the troubles besetting her."

PAKISTAN'S HANDICAPS

Let me explain. The State of Pakistan is split into two, each separated from the other by several thousand miles of land and air. This division, more than doubles Pakistan's land frontiers and brings that Dominion into direct contact, not only with middle East but also with far Eastern countries as widely different as Afganistan and Burma. Then again, the main communications of both the parts of Pakistan run parallel to the frontiers and in the case of West Pakistan, at no great distance from it. Thirdly, West Pakistan has one of the largest irrigation systems in the world and depends for its life on the canals fed from the five rivers.

Lastly, Pakistan lacks manufacturing potential, specially of war material. One day's effective bombing may destroy the entire irrigation system in the West Pakistan. These realities are completely ignored by men, who glibly talk of "Jahad" in Pakistan. The best way to avert war, therefore, is to tell the people of Pakistan what lies ahead of them, if they become willing victims to the ambition of their rulers. "If you wish for peace, understand war".

From India's point of view the Policy laid down by the Prime Minister is best for her. The Prime Minister recently declared that India will not start the fight, but would defend to her last drop of blood, if she were attached. Let we quote Liddele Hart again. He says: "what are the fundamental military conditions of the present time? The first is the increasing value of machine power over manpower. The second, the capacity to make war depends on industrial power and economic resources. The third is the increasing advantage of defence over attack. The offensive is more exhausting form of action. The sands of history are littered with the wrecks of Kingships which set their compass on an offensive course. Analysis shows that in the majority of the battles, which are engraved in the pages of history, the loser was the Army which was the first to commit itself to attack."

Basically, therefore, India's position is sounder. She has better machine-power, better industrial power and better economic resources than Pakistan. And with her faith in the value of defensive war, she is bound to win, if she is attacked at any time in the near future.

This does not mean that she can go to sleep in the meantime. Perpetual vigil is the price nations have to pay for their freedom. India shall have to become strong and invulnerable, if her dearly won freedom has to be retained. India should also seriously examine the American method of averting war. As I referred to it last week, America believes that peace would come out of national strength. The American Ambassador at large Dr. Jessup made this point again during the week at New Delhi. He said, "we do not want war. We do not expect a war. At the same time, we must maintain our defensive position and must be prepared to meet aggression. So should India. The situation in East Pakistan and Kashmir is really grave. Pakistan is forcing India to abandon the contemplated reduction in her defence expenditure.

INDIAN WINGS

The Indian Air Force has two first class academies for flying training: at Ambala and at Jodhpur, complete with Flying Instructors' School and Navigation Training School. In these Academies cadets are trained according to the latest methods under fully qualified and categorised I.A.F. instructors.

Twenty years ago a batch of 6 offi-

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OUR READERS' VIEWS

Recipe Please!

Anent to the report appearing in your paper under the caption "Kher Foregoes His Rations" one would like to know how it is ever possible for an individual to surrender the entire foodgrains rations on his card for one whole year to assist the food conserving activities of Government.

If Mr. Kher draws the same quantity of foodgrains rations on his card as I daw on mine, it is beyond me how this surrender is possible unless Mr. Kher is out to starve himself and yet survive the period.

There is, of course, the question of alternative foods like Bananas, Nira, Chivda, Bhajas etc., but in normal human beings, the continual assimilantion of these for one whole year is bound to cause gastronic convulsions unless the stomach has a "thick skin" as some individuals have.

But this apart, the shortage of food in every home is so acutely felt on the existing quantum allowed on the ration cards that it is our experience, that we live on bread for 5 days in a week and on rice for only 2 days.

If Mr. Kher can go without food, for a year and yet be hopeful of survival at the end of it, I for one would like to do the same not for the sake of conservation of food but for the sake of balancing the family budget as I would save on my rations, and yet live happily and actively as perhaps Mr. Kher hopes to, if, I were given Mr. Kher's formula how to do it.

—A. S. LOBO.

Bomhay-Poona Janata Express

Karjat-Bombay Section is the biggest suburban section in the India over the GIP Rly. and other Railways as well. Due to extreme scarcity of accommodation in the Bombay City and in almost all the suburban places covering right upto Ambarnath, people are required to stay in places as far as Karjat and other surrounding villages and are required to come down to Bombay to attend to their duties or business during the day and return to their houses by night. Over four hundred and odd persons are daily passengers from Karjat to Bombay. Due to slow trains the journey from Karjat to Bombay covers over a couple of hours and thereby they have to lose over 4 precious hours of their lives which can be utilised in good many social activities had there been some fast trains. Also the traffic between Ambarnath and Bombay has so immensely increased that while on their return journey these persons have to satnd throughout their journey upto Ambernath after having worked hard. The announcement of introducing a "Janata Express" on the Bombay-Poona section by the Hon'ble Mr. K. Santanam, the Minister of Transport, Government of India, has been received by us with great pleasure. It is heard that the Railway administration are now considering the timings as to how this train should be made to run. This Association, therefore, suggests the following timings which would be most suitable for the travelling public in general from places as far as to Poona.

Bombay	Dn.	18- 0
Karjat	"	19-17
Lonavla	"	20-13
Kirkee	"	20-58
Shivajinagar	"	21- 9
Poona	"	21-18
Poona	Up	6-45
Shivajinagar	"	6-53
Lonavla	"	735
Khandala	"	7-50
Karjat	"	8-40
Bombay	"	10- 0

These persons would be grateful if the authorities adopt these timings and thereby giving them a relief in reaching their houses earlier in the evening.

—WORKING PRESIDENT,
Karjat Passengers' Association.

Make It Another Switzerland

Even since the tragic partition was accepted the beautiful valley of Kashmir has been the cockpit of war between Pakistan and India. In spite of the fact that nearly 2-1/2 years have passed away it is highly regrettable that this tug of war between the two countries has not ended and continues to cause headache to the peoples of both the countries.

One possible way of ending the Kashmir problem is by open war to decide the issues once for all. But India whose policy is wedded to the Gandhian ideals of non-violence desires to keep war out of its orbit. I suggest that Kashmir should be declared as a beauty spot of the East, a free sovereign state not integrated either with Pakistan or India. This would mean giving Kashmir the status and position of Switzerland and assuring its entity as a sovereign state. This assurance must come forth from all the Asiatic sovereign states, and the same must be backed up by all the free sovereign states of the West.

The proposal if accepted by both the countries will remove all the bitterness, enmity and jealousy and create a new dawn for all.

—DIWANI C. ADVANI.

A Mockery!

A Calcutta report reveals that the 40,000 tons of gunny sent by India to Pakistan will be exported to South Africa by the latter in return for coal. It tantamounts to India indirectly breaking its own ban on exports of its products to South Africa. Is it not a mockery of its own laws if such barter arrangements are permitted and are not conditioned by a stipulation in the contract that the goods shall not be exported to South Africa? If there be any legal hitch to that effect, the barter agreement itself should go in the interests of self respect of the country.

Will the Government of India please, look into the matter?

—BRIJ NARAIN.

Afghan Minority In Pakistan

The undersigned, Aleq Khalid Khan, President of Afghan Pakhton National Association, of Sacremento, California, recently, through his counsel, corresponded with the Honourable Ralph Bunche, Director, Division of Trusteeship, United Nations, Lake Success, New York. Such correspondence was in accord with the purpose of the said association to do its utmost in protecting the interests of Afghan nationals where such protection is warranted under the terms of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights.

The undersigned had conversed with the said Dr. Bunche during his recent visit to the city of San Francisco. It was the latter's suggestion that the grievance he directed to his attention so that he might present it to Mr. Trygve Lie for whatever action was deemed necessary. Therefore, the undersigned wrote as follows:

"It has been brought to the attention of the said Khalid Khan and the members of the said Afghan Rpakhton National Association that the present government of Pakistan has denied natural rights to Afghan nationals within their jurisdiction. As you are well aware, there are approximately nine million members of such nationality in the northern areas of the Pakistan sovereignty. Our information is that about 13,000 of these (including their leader, Abdul Ghafar Khan) have been incarcerated because they have advocated self-government, which is endorsed by the great majority of this group. They have never resorted to violent means but have sought an open forum for the expression of their views and their demands for a free election which would determine their rights. They espoused the formation of a separate and distinct sovereignty, which they would name Pakhthonistan'.

"The Pakistan Government has averred that they will grant them their release only upon promises to discontinue this proposal for self-government. Without discussing the demerits of such a gesture, we wish to express on behalf of Aleq Khalid Khan and the Afghan Rpakhton National Association a respectful request that an investigation of the entire situation be conducted by the appropriate division of the United Nations".

—KHALID KHAN.

Illegal Appointment

The President of the Jalgaon Municipal Borough has appointed a Chief Officer contrary to the provisions of Section 33(1) of the said Act from 2-9-49 of his own accord and without any sanction of the General Body. There is no legal Chief Officer and hence the bills, notices, licences, warrants, etc., issued such an officer would be illegal. Under the circumstances, WHETHER THE TAX-PAYER IS BOUND TO PAY TAXES DEMANDED BY such an illegal authority?

The Government should clarify the matter and guide me and the Jalgaon public so that they may not unnecessarily be put to any loss.

—P. M. JOSHI.

Threats

In Disa (Banaskanta) of Palanpur mischievous posters have made appearance, threatening minority communities to "evacuate or get murdered". This has created a serious situation. Will the Bombay Home Minister give his personal attention to this serious development?

—GHULAM SHABBIR ABDUL GHANI.

FRANKLY SPEAKING

Westerling In Singapore

The earlier Indonesian report is now confirmed that Captain "Turco" Westerling has gone to Singapore from Java. This Dutch "Lawrence" and leader of the recent revolt in West Java is stated on the authority of his wife to have fled by a Dutch 'Catalina, flying boat. His wife, incidentally, had also said that Westerling was visiting Singapore in order to collect arms and to resume his anti-Indonesian campaign even better equipped than before. This intention of his has, at least temporarily, been frustrated with his arrest in Singapore. We said "temporarily" because it is not yet clear what the British authorities in Singapore intend doing eventually about him. He is being charged with entering the colony without proper papers and the authorities plan to hold him in detention. But how long is he going to be kept in detention? How will he be disposed of by the British later? That is an important question because Captain Westerling is a man, and a non-Indonesian too, who has openly made war on an Indonesia which is a friendly country. Mrs. Westerling's statement about the manner and means of Westerling's flight also needs investigation. The Dutch authorities deny that he was flown in a Dutch plane. But this denial, in the absence of full and close investigation, may be no more in accordance with actual facts than an earlier denial that he had no assistance or support, direct or indirect, from officers and men of the Dutch armed forces in his march, for instance on Bondueng.

Criminal Negligence

The State of Bihar abounds in relics of India's ancient civilisation under the surface of its soil; and such relics make valuable material for the compilation of ancient history. Referring to this point and urging the need of systematic survey and surface excavations, Dr. A. S. Altekar, head of the Department of Ancient Indian History and Culture, University of Patna, has made a startling revelation regarding the damage which some of the remains in Bihar have sustained through negligence. He declares that the Public Works Department of the Government of Bihar and mineral prospectors had wrought havoc on valuable maunds of antiquity at and about the site of what was believed to have been the University of Vikramashila. Proceeding he asserts that the remains have not even to this time been notified under the Protected Monument Act. The Archaeological Department of the Government of India was expected to be fully aware of the historical significance of various regions, and it must explain now why it had failed to bring under protection, the relics to which Dr. Altekar has made a pointed reference. The Government of Bihar also cannot shirk the responsibility of the damage done to such valuable remains by its Public Works Department. The Governments of other States should take a timely warning from what Dr. Altekar has stated with regard to the archaeological sites in Bihar. Instead of relying entirely upon the Central Archaeological Department, they should carry out expert and exhaustive survey in their respective territories and should extend effective protection to sites and monuments of Archaeological interest. Whatever was likely to throw light on ancient history of India should not now be lost or destroyed through indifference.

Realistic Approach

There was some wild speculation about the shape of the report which the American industrial expert, Mr. S. Trone, was called upon to submit to the Government of India and rumour had it that Mr. Trone was critical of the Government of India's policy of industrialisation. The report belies these expectations and turns out to be a realistic approach to the problem. Though Mr. Trone comes from America, a country which believes in speedy mass production, Mr. Trone justly concludes that in any plan for industrialisation in India, the millions of people in the country-side must be made productive, which was indeed Gandhijis approach to the problem. Mr. Trone has some wise words for those who believe that India's industry needs large-scale import of "capital goods" from abroad. Mr. Trone says that India must learn to make machines herself, an advice which should be acted upon with alacrity by a country which can ill-afford to waste valuable foreign exchange. Mr. Trone also commends the Japanese example, where a considerable part of national production comes from small-scale village industries. It is reported that Mr. Trone's recommendations have been forwarded to the States' Governments and it is to be hoped that they are studied and acted upon instead of being allowed to rest in the pigeon holes of the Secretariats.

Profession And Practice

Supported both by U. S. Democrats and Republicans, President Truman has been trying to prove to the world that the United States is a zealous and earnest leader and champion of democracy and the principles of democracy. In fact, the United States has been spending billions of dollars conferring material and military aid on peoples and countries all over the world, the proclaimed objective being service in the democratic cause and defence and promotion of democracy as against that anti-democratic evil, communism. It is, therefore, rather too noticeably odd that legislation, advocated by President Truman and aimed at stopping employers from discriminating against non-Whites should be rejected by America's own House of Representatives. Worse still the proposed legal protection has been replaced by a recommendation of "persuasion and conciliation" which, as an obviously, hypocritical substitute, is not only an insult to human dignity and intelligence but an outrage on democracy, the very soul and essence of which is that discrimination between man and man is a wicked and repugnant evil. It is all right to profess the principle of democracy and promote it with billions of dollars —abroad. But practice of it at home will be a more effective service to democracy.

Pledge For Peace

Not very long ago it was the Congress which ventilated the grievances of the people and led the agitation for their redress. But now the opposition parties and communal organisations are trying to draw that mantle on their own shoulders. Their glib talk about being the champions of the people is likely to mislead many. Now it is the responsibility of the Congress not just to agitate in an irresponsible manner but to find solutions and set things right. The unfortunate situation in East Bengal has provided enough ammunition to communalists here to create a difficult situation. Shri J. B. Kripalani, though a frank critic of the Government, asks for public co-operation to strengthen Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru's hands in dealing with the situation. He warns that reprisals against minorities here will only weaken India's stand against Pakistan. It is for Congressmen to come forward to counteract the propaganda and mischief of communalists. Shri Kripalani asks every Congressman to assure our Prime Minister that, if need be, he will lay down his life to prevent communal riots.

CZECH INTEREST IN INDIA

Ambassador's Testimony

NEW DELHI, Feb. 26 (PTI).

Rajkumari Amrit Kaur, India's Health Minister, opening the Czechoslovak Cultural Festival here today said that in a war-weary world, culture tended to be a unifying force creating goodwill and fellowship and understanding.

Declaring that the cultural festival would give the people of Delhi an opportunity to "understand and appreciate the people of Czechoslovakia", Rajkumari Amrit Kaur said: "We in India have much to learn from the culture of Czechoslovakia. Although a young nation, her people are among the most civilised and cultured peoples of Europe. Geographically, as well as spiritually, Czechoslovakia has been a bridge between Eastern and Western Europe and between the Nordic and the Latin peoples. There is much in common between the art and culture of Czechoslovakia and our own, and I believe I am right that there are few countries today where Indian thought and literature is studied and appreciated as much as in Czechoslovakia."

Speaking on the occasion, Dr. Bohuslav Kratochvil, Czechoslovak Ambassador in Delhi said: "With fondness and enthusiasm, our reader takes in hand the translations of Indian literature and attaches himself to the admirers of Kalidasa and Rabindranath Tagore. Hundreds of young people learn Hindi, Bengali and other Indian languages and study Sanskrit. Thousands stream to the exhibitions of Indian art and express their understanding and appreciation for the masters of Ajanta, for Jamini Roy and other contemporaneous painters. Almost every week a lecture on India is entered in the cultural calender of the Czechoslovak cities. India is met every moment by the newspapers and periodicals, and by the listener of wireless broadcasts."

ANOTHER ELECTION AFTER BUDGET?

Speculations In Britain Over Narrow Labour Majority

ATTLEE HOLDS MEETING AT DOWNING STREET TO EXAMINE SITUATION

LONDON, FEBRUARY 25 (P.T.I.-REUTER).

PRIME MINISTER CLEMENT ATTLEE AND HIS LABOUR CABINET WERE MEETING AT NUMBER TEN DOWNING STREET TODAY ASKING "HOW LONG CAN A GOVERNMENT LAST WITH SO SMALL A MAJORITY?"

One of the most sensational general elections in British history gave Labour no more than a handful overall mojority in the Commons, and newspapers spoke of a new election immediately after the budget is presented in April.

With seven results outstanding at 1-30 a.m. G.M.T., (7 a.m. I.S.T.) the position of the parties was labour 314; Conservatives 294; Liberals eight; others two.

Two are expected today but four from Stormbound Scottish Highlands are not expected before Monday, while Mosside Manchester will not vote till March 9, owing to the death of the Conservative candidate E. L. Fleming.

It was an election of records—never before has the poll been so high, never before have there been so many candidates (1,868), never before have so many deposits been lost, never before has the result been in doubt for so long and barely has a political situation after an election presented so many headaches.

Politicians cast back when the Liberals had a majority of two over the Conservatives (there were no other parties) and remained in office for five years.

Altogether 311 Liberals lost their deposits of £150 through failing to poll one-eighth of the total votes in their constituencies.

Two hundred were insured by Lloyds who will have to pay out £30,000. Some brokers are angry saying that insuring liberal deposits was a breach of Lloyds' impartiality but others say it was normal business.

"Daily Mail" (Conservative): "Labour is back in office but not in power. Though the Socialists may form a government, the people have rejected Socialism"

"Daily Express" (Imperialist): "The proper course for Mr. Attlee would be to admit that he was lost the confidence of the country. He should tender the resignation of his government".

"News Chronicle" (Liberal): "It is difficult to see how a fresh appeal to the country would help. The astonishingly high poll in all parts of the country is proof that democracy had spoken truly and has faithfully reflected the views of our people."

The Communist "Daily Worker", in an editorial signed by party General Secretary, Harry Pollitt said: "There is not the slightest need for pressimism because, fortified by the knowledge that Communism has triumphed in one half of the world, we can be determined that in our life time we will do the same in Britain".

Last night leaders of the main parties said; Mr. Attlee: I cannot say anything yet.

Mr. Morgan Phillips, Secretary of the Labour Party: No statement till the final results are known.

Mr. Churchill: It is obvious that parliament is going to be in a very unstable position.

All the leading members of the Conservative shadow cabinet survived except former war and transport Minister Mr. Hore Belisha who went down at South Coventry.

Labour's small majority means that Socialists must be in a constant attendance for fear of "snap" votes for Mr. Attlee at once loses two of his strength—the Chairman and the Deputy Chairman of Committees who preside over the house when it is in committee and who may not vote in a division.

AGGREGATE VOTES

Aggregate votes total Labour: 13,209,400; Conservatives 12,408,808; Liberal 2,610,276.

Stop Press

PARIS STRIKE THREAT

PARIS, Feb. 26 (PTI-Reuter): France today faced a week of strike ballots. Paris region metal workers' wages strike threatened to spread to other parts of the country.

RED ALLEGATION

HONG KONG, Feb. 26 (PTI-Reuter) Peking Communist Radio alleged last night that the Royal Air Force had "wantonly bombed" a Chinese school in Johore, Malaya, on February 7, killing the principal and six children and injuring six other pupils.

BOMBAY MOVE

KARWAR, Feb. 26 (PTI): The Government of Bombay, it is authoritatively learnt, is considering the question of starting an ayurvedic college at Dharwar.

'COUP' ATTEMPT FAILS

BERLIN, Feb. 26 (PTI-Reuter).—An unsuccessful coup in Bulgaria, resulting in the arrest of General Kinov, Chief of Staff, and many army officers, was reported from Sofia by "Die Welt Am Sonntag," official British newspaper in Germany.

ISRAEL ASKS FOR ARMS

WASHINGTON, Feb. 26 (PTI-Reuter): Israel has appealed to the United States and Britain for arms and military equipment for her army and air force, diplomatic officials here

SERVE INDIA WELL

Sardar's Call To Ajmer Students

AJMER, Feb. 26 (PTI).—The Deputy Prime Minister Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel today in a message to the students of the Mayo College, Ajmer, called upon them to serve the country and prepare themselves for their share to its contributing peace, progress and prosperity.

Sardar Patel, who was to have presided over the prize distribution at the College today, could not be present owing to reasons of health. The Maharaja of Kotah presided over the function in his absence.

Regretting his inability to be present, Sardar Patel said in his message: "Your college was intended to turn out young men, who by blood, character, education and training would distinguish themselves in the art of managing men and affairs. For 64 years your college has played its part and has witnessed a revolutionary change in the politics of the country.

MAKE YOUR MARK

"I have no doubt if you face the world in the true spirit of democracy, freedom and with the proper approach of responsible citizen of your country, you will make your mark in the life perhaps much better than your predecessors did in the past.... Let each one of you prepare himself according to his own lights and capacities for contributing to the peace, progress and prosperity of this ancient land of ours to which we all owe so much."

NO STATEMENT ON DACCA STORIEES

E. Bengal Assembly Disallows Request

DACCA, Feb. 26 (PTI-Reuter): The Speaker of the East Bengal Legislative Assembly, Mr. Abdul Karim, yesterday disallowed the Leader of the Opposition, Mr. Basanta Kumar Das, from reading a statement in the House containing the "stories we have heard" about the communal disturbances in Dacca and elsewhere.

The Speaker pointed out that it would be proper for the Opposition Leader to give him a copy in advance in case he wanted to make a written statement. Moreover the Speaker added he would desire the Opposition Leader not to raise questions of a "debatable nature" through statements on the floor of the House.

DANGEROUS WAY OF THINKING

M.N. Roy On Indo-Pakistan Relations

CALCUTTA, Feb. 26 (P.T.I.): Mr. M. N. Roy said here yesterday that sober thinking seemed to have disappeared from among the people and that an opinion was gaining ground that Indo-Pakistan relations could not be solved without war.

Mr. Roy who was speaking at the monthly luncheon meeting of the "Milance" (a socio-cultural association) suggested that the sufferings of the minorities in the two Bengals could be alleviated if one left the idea of describing the events in the other in the darkest colour. Persons having any concern for their minorities should see that their own house was set in order first, he said.

News BRIEFS

ZAMINDARI ABOLITION

The U.P. Zamindari Abolition Fund exceeds 15 crores of rupees. The total number of Bhumidhari declarations issued was 15,77,642 till February 17.

SUGAR WORKERS

The first annual conference of the Indian National Sugar Mill Workers' Federation will be held at Barabanki on February 28.

PLAGUE ATTACKS

There were a total of 778 attacks and 158 deaths due to plague in Hyderabad State during January 1950. There were 182 cases and 62 deaths due to small pox.

CALCUTTA BOUND

The rush of passengers bound for Calcutta by air is daily increasing in Agartala. People from the neighbouring areas of East Pakistan are coming in Agarthala in unending flow to cross over to Calcutta. Advance booking of seats in planes are going on even by telephone from Sylhet and Comilla.

RESTRICTION GOES

The Saurashtra Government has removed restrictions on movement of food grains within a district. Inter-district movement, however, continues to be prohibited except under a permit.

COTTON POSITION

Mr. T. B. Dalal, Director of Cotton, Government of India, said in Hyderabad on Sunday that the cotton supply position in India at the moment was much easier than it was some two months ago, and it would be easier still after a month.

INSPECTOR SUSPENDED

N. G. Mohite, Sales Tax Inspector, Madhavnagar, has been suspended on a charge of accepting illegal gratification of Rs. 75.

SOCIALIST SURRENDERS

Mr. Kesab Chandra, a Socialist worker of Bhagalpur, against whom a warrant of arrest was pending, surrendered on Saturday. It is said that Mr. Roy was wanted in a case in connection with taking out a procession without licence on Jan. 29.

HOMOEOPATHY FEDERATION

The decision to form an Indian Homoeopathic Federation was taken at a conference of representatives from different states, in Nagpur Sunday.

MADRAS BUDGET

The budget session of the Madras Legislature commences in Madras Monday.

NATIONAL UNITY

Mr. Harishanker Bawala a Kanpur industrialist, presiding over the thirty-sixth annual general meeting of the U.P. Chamber of Commerce in Kanpur said Sunday that the need of the hour was an "absolute national unity of purpose" to exploit the economic potentialities of the country, both human and material.

KEEP ALOOF

Dr. Gopichand Bhargava, Chief Minister of the Punjab, presiding over the prize distribution function of the Khalsa College exhorted the youth to work hard for the welfare of the country. He condemned the talks of a class war and advised the students to keep aloof from active politics.

FRIENDSHIP PACT

A treaty of friendship between Iraq and Pakistan was signed in Baghdad Sunday.

ARRIVALS

An American agricultural mission has arrived in Karachi on an exploratory tour of South and South-East Asia in connection with President Truman's Point Four programme to aid underdeveloped areas. The United States Ambassador-at-large, Mr. Jessup, now on a fact-finding tour, has also arrived.

AIR RACE

The next all-India air race will be held at Lucknow under the joint auspices of the Hind Flying Club and the Aero Club of India in the winter of 1950.

JAPAN'S PLACE

The United States Government has authorised participation of Japan in international agreements and conferences of a technical nature. Authority has been given to General MacArthur to permit Japanese to take part in these conferences, if they are considered to be in the interests of the occupation.

Pebbles With Rice

PURI, Feb. 26 (UPI): The Foodgrains Investigation Committee set up by the Government of India met the local journalists yesterday to discuss the position of foodgrains in Orissa.

It was pointed out to the members that mixing of small pebbles in rice had become a regular feature with some rice mills in Orissa.

DISHONOUR TO ISLAM

Sultan Ahmed's View

PATNA, Feb. 26 (PTI).

Sir Sultan Ahmed, former member of the Viceroy's Executive Council, and several other prominent Muslim leaders of Bihar including members of the Legislature, said in a joint statement that they felt "thoroughly ashamed of all that has happened in East Pakistan and we, Muslims in India, must raise our unanimous voice in unequivocal condemnation of such atrocities committed on the minority community there".

They said: "Our claim to enter our protest and condemnation rests not only on humanitarian grounds, but also because we feel that the perpetrators of these ghastly crimes call themselves Muslims and as such bring dishonour to the good name of Islam and Muslims all over the world.

"The greatest shame" the Muslim leaders said, "is that it is only the weak and innocent who become victims of orgy and beastiality under the doctrine of retaliation.

DEEP REGRET

"It is a matter of deep regret that in this hour of crisis the extremely reasonable and obviously useful proposal of Pandit Nehru to Mr. Liaquat Ali Khan that they both jointly tour the affected areas in East and West Bengal was not accepted by the latter.

"We feel that this tour would have at once allayed the panic amongst the minorities in both Dominions and had brought some comfort to those who have suffered and are suffering and would have also shown to the anti-social elements in both Dominions that no more of this orgy will be tolerated in either Dominion and will be ruthlessly put down by all drastic methods available to Government.

"We hope and pray to God that this proposal will still materialise".

ASSAM REFUGEES CONFER

LUMDING (Assam), Feb. 26 (UPI): The All Assam Refugee Conference commenced its two-day sessions here yesterday under the presidentship of Mr. Pareshlal Shome ex-Advocate General of Assam. A large number of representatives from different refugees organisations in Assam attended the Conference.

Mr. Shome in his presidential address regretted that the refugees who had come to Assam about three years back had not yet been rehabilitated and were living "under miserable conditions."

He felt sure that none of the refugees had any intention of returning to East Bengal and they had adopted Assam as their homeland for ever and wanted to live peacefully and with cordial neighbourly feelings with other children of the soil. He advised them not to be excited by happening in East Bengal.

"Political Criminality"

PATNA, Feb. 26 (UPI): Mr. S. Haider Imam ex-MLA Central' says that the turning down by Mr. Liaquat Ali Khan of Pandit Nehru's most fair and reasonable proposal that the two Prime Ministers should make a joint tour of the affected areas to ascertain actual facts was, to put it mildly, highly mischievous almost amounting to 'political criminality'.

FIRM ACTION WILL FOLLOW

Mend Your Ways: Call To Pakistan

NEW DELHI, Feb. 26 (PTI): Shaik Galib, M.P. (Andhra), stated here yesterday that if the situation in East Bengal did not change for the better, the Government of India would be compelled to take firm action, with the fullest support of all sections of public opinion in the country".

In a statement, he said: "It is with great regret that we learn daily of the series of incidents occurring in East Bengal wherein the life, security and honour of the minority community are being constantly threatened due to fresh outbursts of communal frenzy. Reports are pouring in the last one month that the security and safety of Hindus in large areas in East Bengal have been gravely imperilled."

If the Pakistan Government, Shaikh Galib added, had any regard either for religion or for their fellow-Muslims in India and desired them to live free lives, it was their bounden duty to protect the lives and honour of minorities in Pakistan. "I appeal to everyone across the border to do his fundamental duty in the name of religion, humanity and common justice", he said.

JAYAPRAKASH IN CALCUTTA

Discusses East Bengal Situation

CALCUTTA, Feb. 26 (P.T.I.): Mr. Jayaprakash Narayan, the Socialist leader, who arrived here yesterday morning, left for Rewa in the evening by the Bombay Mail to attend the Hind Kisan Panchayat meeting to be held there today and tomorrow.

While in Calcutta, Mr. Narayan met Dr. P. C. Ghosh, President of the Central Peace Committee and member of the Congress Working Committee and discussed with him the present situation in East and West Bengal. He also met Dr. A. M. Malek, Minister of the Pakistan Central Government who is now in Calcutta and discussed with him the situation in East Bengal.

The Socialist leader visited some of the areas affected in the recent disturbances in the city and held discussion with members of his party and its provincial executives regarding the present situation.

30 FAMILIES LEAVE FOR ANDAMANS

CALCUTTA, Feb. 26 (P.T.I.): A batch of thirty East Bengal refugee families, comprising about 150 members, embarked for the Andamans yesterday.

Each family was provided with agricultural implements, clothes and a cash dole for sundry expenses for a month.

These settlers, who are all agriculturists, will be provided with ten acres of land free of cost (each family) and Rs. 2,000 for resettlement.

FIRE IN MILLS

(From Our Correspondent)

AHMEDABAD, Feb. 26.

There was a fire in three mills here—the Kaiser-I-Hind, Nagri and Vivekanand Mills, and loss estimated at several thousands of rupees is feared. Coils and other accessories have been burnt.

SOCIALISTS THREATEN SATYAGRAHA

Dr. Lohia Expounds A Plan To End Poverty

REWA, Feb. 26. (UPI):

THE Socialist leader, Dr. Ram Manohar Lohia, indicated that his party might launch a Satyagraha movement if the Government refused to implement the "plan to end poverty" advocated by it.

He was delivering his presidential address at the first All-India Conference of the Hind Kisan Panchayat, the Socialist-sponsored peasant organisation, at Rewa this afternoon.

To save the country from economic collapse and the consequent anarchy, the Socialist leader suggested a 13-point programme, which included lowering of prices, levelling up of incomes, taking over by the State of industrial establishments producing below their capacity, transferring agricultural lands to their tillers and redistribution of land for cultivation by a "State-recruited land army", decentralisation of administration, housing programme and other economic activity to provide full employment, raising of volunteer bands for agriculture, irrigation, roadmaking and the like and "pursuit of a positive policy of world peace."

He, however, made it clear that "change of Government cannot be the objective of the Satyagraha; the demand will be for a change of policy."

Dr. Lohia severely criticised the Congress and the Government for the policies they were following, but he said that he refused to believe that the Congress Government had become Capitalist Government; the fault was the "planlessness" of the methods followed by the Government.

TWO-PRONGED DANGER

According to him, the country was faced with a two-pronged danger if the present conditions continued. One danger to the country came from the communalists and the other from the Communists. The people's Satyagraha, he said, would save the country from both and would become a "true means and form of co-operation between the Government and the people because it would force the Government to accept a plan to put an end to the present conditions.

URGENT ASSISTANCE TO THE MASSES

What Congress Is Pledged To Do

MADURA, Feb. 25 (PTI).

Mr. Kala Venkata Rao, General Secretary of the Congress, today appealed to the Congress Workers to make the Congress "an instrument of service to the people and not a centre of power politics."

Addressing a meeting of local Congress workers, Mr. Venkata Rao said that the country today was in an economic morass and the Congress was aware of the difficulties of the people. Their economic ills were such that it was beyond the capacity of anybody or any political party to cure them immediately. Careful planning and willing co-operation and a certain amount of sacrifice on the part of the people were necessary to solve their difficulties, he added.

The anxiety of the Congress in this regard, he added, has been reflected in the resolutions adopted by the Congress Working Committee during its last two sessions. The Committee had recommended to the Government of India to appoint a high-powered Planning Commission to prepare a programme of economic development and to determine priorities. But this would not bring immediate relief to the common man. Therefore, the Congress Working Committee itself had appointed a five-man committee to prepare a short term programme for the all-round development of the country. Such a programme would be designed to bring immediate assistance to the masses.

WHAT PRICE WAR?

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cers went to the R.A.F. Cadet College at Cranwell for flying training. On their return to India they formed the nucleus of the India Air Force in 1933. This stage of the I.A.F. lasted till 1939 — in between, there had been plenty of experience in the North Western Frontier, but little expansion. The war shadows fell on South East Asia and it became imperative for the I.A.F. to spread its wings as fast as it could. Flying Training Schools and Operational Units were established at Karachi, Peshawar, Risalpur Jodhpur, Ambala, and Secunderabad became the shifting scenes of intense air force activity.

The end of the War found the I.A.F. facing the problems of reorganisation of the war-time training units, training personnel and equipment and accommodation. Everything from typewriters to Tempests had to be organised. It was a race against time for soon after came the Partition and with it refugees and Kashmir. With no resreves to call upon, the same handful of the I.A.F. had to operate over again. Training units starved and operational units functioned. Amongst other things, the Partition deprived the I.A.F. of its permanent peace-time stations.

Today the Academies are well established — many of the war and post-war hurdles have been crossed. But recruitment, it is said, is poor. Many volunteer but few make the grade. Letters appear from time to time in the Press to say that "selection" is stiff. The boot appears to be on the other foot.

Air force career involves peace-time risks which do not exist in the other Services. In the air there is always an element of chance and luck — even with the most perfect machine. Besides, a pilot has to handle most expensive equipment. A modern fighter aircraft costs anything between 3 and 7 lakhs of rupees. In an accident a pilot may not only damage the aircraft, he may kill himself and a few others. The policy with regard to the Service which by its technical nature depends entirely on the highly individualised performance of its personnel shall have to have AI recruits. India cannot take risks. So much of her safety lies on her airmen.

THE PITFALLS

Low standard of education is another contributory cause to large failures. In spite of Hindi crusaders, English shall remain the language of India's Defence Services. And it is in English in which many of the otherwise suitable candidates fail. With gradual replacement of English by Hindi, this percentage would go up, unless some measures were taken to remedy the defect. I am glad to be able to report that necessary steps are being which will ensure a suitable candidate a place in the Armed Forces, if English were his only handicap. Arrangements are being made to teach English to otherwise fit and suitable recruits.

Army has also been able to repair the partition ravages on its training centres. The Staff College at Willington in the Nilgiris is one of its post-partition creations. It is one of the finest "postgraduate" training centres this side of Suez. It is an intea-service college, which provides higher training to all the three wings of the Armed Forces. I am also glad to report that arrangements have been finalised to send selected Indian officers to the Imperial Defence College and Higher Staff College in Britain. Two Brigadiers and one Civilian, Maharaj Nagindra Singh I.C.S. have been deputed to take their higher training at the Imperial Defence College this year. Two Air Officers, including Group Commander Rajini Dutt are also proceeding this summer for their higher training at Cramwell. Arrangements have also been made to second Indian Army Officers in the British regiments. This will enable them to learn the most modern developments in warfare and British methods of efficiency and drill from very close quarters.

NURSING SERVICES

The Nursing Services did excellent job of work during the last war, and most of them served overseas in the Middle East and in Burma. Many of them received commendation cards and a good number of awards for meritorious service. Our nurses now are doing excellent job in Jammu and Kashmir.

The Indian Medical Services were thrown open to women in 1942, and ladies were granted commission in the Indian Army. They have also served overseas during the last war, in active operations.

Nurses serve in casualty clearing stations which is about 4 stages back from the front line. A casualty before it reaches the casualty clearing station passes through three other stages.

Before the last war, the Nursing Services of the Indian troops consisted of a very small establishment of Matrons and Sisters totalling about 55. During war-time it became evident that the Nursing cover for the Indian Troops were extremely inadequate. Steps were taken to increase the strength of the Nursing Services by recruitment of temporary nurses and creating auxiliary nursing service. The excellent work rendered by the nursing services during the war period and the very important part the nursing services played in looking after the sick and wounded which kept the morale of the troops as high as possible, was appreciated and the nursing services were put on a proper footing during the early stages of the last war. The status of the Nursing Services was raised and they were granted equivalent ranks as for the officers. Instead of appointing them as staff nurse with a pay of Rs. 175 that was originally admissible, they have been made eligible to come into the service as Sisters on a pay of commencing from Rs. 225/- plus dearness allowance. The maximum rank that the Indian Nurses could aspire for, prewar, was only Matron on a pay of Rs. 275/-. At present, nurses are eligible for promotion to Senior Sister, Matron, Principal Matron and Chief Principal Matron and the pay of the various ranks range from Rs. 225 to Rs. 750/-. A Matron now receives Rs. 425-25/2-500.

The total establishment of the permanent staff has also been increased to give adequate Nursing cover for the troops in the nationalised Indian Army and we would require about 40 per cent more to reach the peace-time strength.

In addition to the basic pay, nurses are entitled for a uniform allowance of Rs. 300/- and annual uniform upkeep allowance of Rs. 120/-. They are also provided with free accommodation in quarters and Messes, and allied services e.g. furniture, lighting, electricity and water.

In the Army, great attention is paid in looking after the comforts of the Nursing Services by providing them with good accommodation and Messing facilities. In addition, they are entitled to Travelling Concessions, Leave and various amenities as admissible for officers.

At present, there are a number of vacancies still available for trained nurses who are desirous to get themselves enrolled in the Army. There are two categories of nursing officers, namely I.M.N.S. (Permanent) and I.M.N.S. (Temporary). At present, a nurse is recruited into the military service on a contract of one year in the rank of Sister. Those who are desirous during the service of becoming permanent are given facilities to apply for appointment in the I.M.N.S. Dattaram Gal 3 and 4 Edit Page Cor. manent, they are entitled to count their service in the I.M.N.S. (Temporary) for all purposes of pay, promotion and seniority. The ranks of Senior Sister equivalent to Captain in the Army, Matron equivalent to Major, Principal Matron equivalent to Lieut-Colonel, Chief Principal Matron to Colonel.

WOMAN'S WIT

BANKA, Feb. 26 (UPI): A thrilling story of how a woman saved herself from the grip of a wolf has just been received here from the village of Bhitti in the police circle of Banka.

The woman was sleeping with her children in a room with the doors open and at dead of night a wolf entered it. The woman who was awakened by some rustling sound, managed to come out of the room with the children and bolted the door from outside entrapping the beast. On receiving the information the SDO sent the Circle Inspector and an honorary magistrate to the village and the party succeeded in shooting down the beast.

AIR RALLY CONCLUDES

Miss Mathur Felicitated

CALCUTTA, Feb. 26 (PTI).

THE three-day National Air Rally concluded at Barrackpore this evening to the accompaniment of prolonged cheering of about 7,000 spectators.

Highlights of today's programme were crazy flying by E. Peck, winner of the fastest flying prize in the Delhi-Calcutta air race, and aerobatics by two jet Vampires of the Indian Air Force. Capt. Namjoshi, who won the Willingdon trophy yesterday delighted the crowd by stunt flying.

General Officer Commanding Bengal, Bihar and Orissa Major-General S. B. S. Roy, who presided over today's function addressing the gathering said, that inspite of all difficulties the rally was a grand success both from the point of view of the number of entries as also from the type of show and the interest evinced by all sections of the people.

"I give three cheers to our plucky sister Miss Prem Mathur for her very nice record in winning on handicap the National Air Race trophy, a magnificent thing which is going to infuse a real spirit of adventure among our women," he said.

New Perisan Cabinet

TEHERAN, Feb. 26 (PTI-Reuter): Prime Minister Mohammed Saed today presented to Shah Mohammed-Reza Pahlevi for approval a new Persian Cabinet, which includes as Foreign Minister Hussein Ala Khan, Persia's Ambassador to the United States since November 1945.

U. P. ZAMINDARI ABOLITION FUND

Last Date Extended

LUCKNOW, Feb. 26 (PTI): The last date for the collection of the U.P. Zamindari Abolition Fund, which is at present February 28, is being extended by the State Government by another six months, it is learnt.

It is hoped that by the time the extended period expires, the Zamindari Abolition Bill, now before the Legislature, would be passed; the Bill as it is, provides for a period of three months after its enactment during which the tenants can acquire the privileges now being promised to them in lieu of their contribution of ten times their annual rental to the Zamindari Abolition Fund.

So far only Rs. 1 crore has been collected for the Fund while the target is Rs. 160 crores. All the money collected so far has been invested in Central Government securities.

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RAILWAYS MUST REDUCE RATES AND FARES

Merchants' Chamber's Plea

BOMBAY, Sunday.

The Committee of the Indian Merchants' Chamber, Bombay, in a statement said here yesterday that while it shared the Railway Minister's feeling of satisfaction over the record of the Indian Railways in the past year, it felt that the financial position of the railways warranted a reduction in the rates and fares.

"While the revised financial convention relieves the railways from the financial exigencies of the general budget", the statement said, "steps for bringing about the separation of general and railway finance real and complete, by making the railway undertaking autonomous and self-contained should be actively pursued.

"The larger question of the scope and form of the future Central authority for management and control of the railway undertaking should also receive immediate attention. The proposal for the setting up of a statutory authority to run and manage the railways on commercial principles, free from the day-to-day vicissitudes of political influence, should be taken in hand without delay".

Summer Lightning Wins St. Leger In Record Timing

CARVALHO BAGS 5 WKTS. FOR 2 RUNS

I.C.I. In Strong Position In Times Junior Final

BOMBAY, Sunday.

MAGNIFICENT bowling by J. N. Carvalho of the Imperial Chemical Industries cricket team was mainly responsible for the complete collapse of the Standard Vacuum Oil Co. batsmen this morning, when play was resumed this morning on the second day of the final of the Times of India Shield Junior Cricket Tournament.

Continuing their overnight score of 52 for two wickets, the Standard Vacuum team lost the remaining eight batsmen for the addition of only 56 runs. J. N. Carvalho who was entrusted with the attack only this morning for the first time in the innings, in a deadly spell of five overs captured five wickets for the cost of only two runs. Four of the five overs Carvalho bowled were maidens. With the exception of G. B. Bhat who had remained not out yesterday with only six to his credit, the rest of the Standard Vacuum batsmen failed to stand up to Carvalho's bowling.

Going in to bat for the second time the I.C.I. team had collected 153 runs for the loss of four of their players when play for the day came to a close. Raghumal, who in the first innings had carried his bat for 67 runs, was again in form and was still at the wicket with 74 when stumps were drawn for the day.

The match will be continued tomorrow, and everyday thereafter until finish.

The following were the scores:—

I.C.I. (1st Innings) .. 204

STANDARD VACUUM (1st Innings)

K. S. Rangaraj b. Sakroo 10, K. Shivji lbw Pavri 13, P. N. Temkar b Sakroo 30, G. B. Bhat c Mamani b Dalvi 31, B. Whag run out 1, R. Pereira c Pontes b Carvalho 15, M. R. Mistry b Carvalho 2, R. B. Vachhani b Carvalho 0, K. S. Tamtay b Carvalho 1, A. K. Mistry not out 4, M. B. Mehta b Carvalho 0, Extras 1, TOTAL 108.

Bowling Analysis; J. N. Carvalho 5-4-2-5; Sakroo 20-5-44-2.

I.C.I. (2nd Innings)

Dadarkar c A. B. Mehta b Tamtay 15, G. Mendonca b M. R. Mistry 4, N. S. Achhadwalla c A. B. Mehta b M. R. Mistry 8, A. Raghumal batting 74, N. S. Sakroo c Tamtay b Rangaraj 27, E. J. Dariyaworthy batting 20, Extras 9, TOTAL (for 4 wkts.) 153.

BARRIE WIN U. K. PROFESSIONAL TITLE

Records Highest Post-War Break Of 714

LONDON, Feb. 25 (PTI-Reuter). Never in arrears since the opening session on the first day's play, John Barrie, of Wisbech, beat Kingsley Kinnerley, of Birmingham, at Burroughes Hall, London today, to secure the United Kingdom Professional Billiards title.

He won by nearly 4,000 points, and during the week's match had the distinction of recording the highest post-war break in competition billiards—714.

Final result was Barrie 9,046, Kennerly 5,069.

WHO'S THAT PAYS Rs. 796

By Our Racing Correspondent

BOMBAY, Sunday.

WITH favourites and outsiders alternating the average punter failed to wind up on the right side at the end of the last day of the big meeting decided today at Mahaluxmi.

Summer Lightning scored a smashing victory in the last Classic, the St. Leger with Chavan on his back and the rig. lowered the record timing set in 1947 by Her Majesty by 3/5 second. The 5 to 4 on favourite, Mansoor Beg looked a winner below the distance but failed to sustain Calcutta challenger Der-Nue-Wey was third and Masquerade fourth. Gamble for Love who had also a very large supporting was out of the race at all posts and was fifth of the seven runners. The seven contestants were sent out to a good start and Par Excellence strode in front of Gamble for Love for the first furlong. The early leader was chased by Masquerade as they passed the winning post. Summer Lightning was third, Gamble for Love fourth and Mansoor Beg fifth. Pavan was trailed off. Approaching the mile Par Excellence maintained a lead of five lengths over Masquerade who in turn was another five lengths ahead of Mansoor Beg and Gamble for Love placed almost locked together. The early leader was done up between the five and four where Khade made a hasty effort on Mansoor Beg and was in command in the home-stretch. The favourite was being hailed the winner but below the distance Summer Lightning put a sparkling finish to peg him back by a length. Der-Nue-Wey also moved strongly to relegate Masquerade to fourth position. Gamble for Love was a poor fifth and for the first time in her reputed career the Philosopher-Nectar filly ran out of money.

Odds on favourite, Tisco disappeared from the fram in the Dhar Plate after leading his rivals for well over seven furlongs. Rank outsider, Who's That who scored this event by 3/4 length returned Rs. 796 for the tener and three-figure dividends were paid on the place tote.

Trainer Talib's three-year-old Maharaj Pramukh and National Flag obliged large followings in the respective divisions of the Khandala Plate and their victories were fluently gained with heavy imposts and on the merit of the smashing victories these youngsters will be hard to crack in the promoted class.

Forty-eight punters solved today's pool event. Each ticket returned Rs. 2,997.

The following are the results:—

THE DADAR PLATE (Div. II)—6 Furlongs.

M/s. A. S. Motabhoy and Abu Hakimji Jasdanwalla's MADRAS 8-12 Purtusingh 1
Mrs. N. E. D. Pandole and Mrs. J. N. Guzdar's REPAY 8-12 Jagdish 2
Mr. Abbas Alimahomed's AZIZEH 8-12 Amir Ahmed 3
Mr. Rahim Khan Ibrahim Khan's STAR OF AMERICA 8-12 Medhe 4
Not run: Flying Banner, Takaiul, Blue Valley, Caltex Queen.
Won by 3 lengths, 2 lengths 3/4 length.
Time: 1 min. 18 4-5 secs.
Tote paid: Win Rs. 18, Places Rs. 11, Rs. 11 and Rs. 14.
Winner trained by Moosa.

THE DADAR PLATE (Div. 1)—6 Furlongs.

Rani of Jetpur's MY AZIZA 8-12 Purtusingh 1
Mr. Kelso's MASKED LADY 8-12 P. Khade 2
Mr. M. R. Agarwal's DIAMOND CAVE 8-12 S. Chavan 3
Mr. Fali H. Mehta's RUMBITA 8-12 Roberts 4
Not run: Air Hostess, Coral, Nagarpalika, Piarehind.
Won by 3/4 length, 1 1/4 length, 3 1/2 lengths.
Time: 1 min. 17 3-5 secs.
Tote paid: Win Rs. 25, Places Rs. 11, Rs. 12 and Rs. 12.
Winner trained by A. Mahomed.

THE KHANDALA PLATE (Div. III)—6 Furlongs.

Maharaja of Gwalior's FOX TROT 7-8 Kasbekar 1
Mr. and Mrs. M. T. Thadani's MAYFAIR LADY 7-13 Shaikh 2
Mr. and Mrs. Sultan N. Dossa's BARA MULLA 9-4 Kheemsingh 3
Maj. J. Steuart Gratton and Mr. G. P. Durrantt's GIPSY LORE 7-6 Mohd. Yusuf 4
Not run: Mon Desir, Desert Queen, Cool and Colected, Slap and Tickle.
Won by 1/2 length, Nk., 3/4 length.
Time: 1 min. 17 4-5 secs.
Tote paid: Win Rs. 46, Places Rs. 19, Rs. 21 and Rs. 26.
Winner trained by Maj. V. M. Lad.

THE KHANDALA PLATE (Div. I)—6 Furlongs.

Maharaja of Morvi's MAHARAJ PRAMUKH 9-4 Kheemsingh .. 1
M/s. R. O. Valia and H. R. Mehta's PHILSOOPH 8-0 J. Bhosle 2
Mr. L. R. Patel's PORTOI 8-5 S. Chavan 3
Mr. P. B. Avasia's HONEY BUNCH 8-8 Purtusingh 4
Not run: Royal Guard, Golden Orb Gwalior Express, Indiana
Won by 1 1/4 length, 2 1/4 lengths, 3 lengths.
Time: 1 min. 15 3-5 secs
Tote paid: Win Rs. 13, Places Rs. 11, Rs. 19 and Rs. 13
Winner trained by Talib.

THE INDIAN STI LEGER, (1950)—1 3/4 Miles.

Mrs. P. Rylands and Mr. M. D. Petit's SUMMER LIGHTNING 9-0 S. Chavan 1
Mr. F. M. Potia's MANSOOR BEG 9-0 P. Khade 2
The Maharaja of Parlakimedi's DER-NUE-WEY 9-0 Whiteside 3
Miss Doreen Saulez's MASQUERADE 9-0 Rickaby 4
Not run: Manzoor.
Won by 1 length, 2 1/2 lengths, 3 lengths.
Time: 3 mins. 4 2-5 secs.
Tote paid: Win Rs. 134, Places Rs. 57, Rs. 12 and Rs. 54.
Winner trained by Rylands.

THE GULAMHUSSEIN ESSAJI CUP (Div. I)—1 Mile.

Mr. A. S. Motabhoy's FLYING MISS 8-2 Purtusingh 1
Mr. Abid H. Doctor's NAVROZE 8-6 Rickaby 2
Mr. M. R. Agarwal's MACDONALD 9-1 P. Khade 3
Mr. Hoosein G. Khairaz's THE GIRL FRIEND 8-5 Kheemsingh 4
Not run: Par Excellence, Flying Princess, Pick Money, Here Again.
Won by 2 1/4 lengths, Nk., Nk.
Time: 1 min. 41 3-5 secs.
Tote paid: Win Rs. 165, Places Rs. 32, Rs. 23 and Rs. 16.
Winner trained by Moosa.

THE DHAR PLATE—1 Mile.

Mr. Ali Akbar's WHO'S THAT 8-2 Shiba 1
Mrs. Chandravati V. Sheth's YEARLING 7-12 Nolan 2
Rajya Ratna M. C. Patel's AYAAZ 7-9 J. Bhosle 3
Mr. S. M. Modi's REPARTEE 7-12 Medhe 4
Find Out.
Won by 3/4 length, 1 3/4 length, 1 length.
Time: 1 min. 41 2-5 secs.
Tote paid: Win Rs. 796, Places Rs. 225, Rs. 195, Rs. 210.
Winner trained by E. Mahomed.

THE GULAMHUSEIN ESSAJI CUP (Div. II)—1 Mile.

Mr. G. A. Jasdanwalla's SIR GALAHAD 8-9 Amir Ahmed 1
Maharaja of Gwalior's SHAH NAWAZ 8-3 Kasbekar 2
Mr. and Mrs. K. M. Mistry's PRINCESSA 8-5 S. Chavan .. 3
Mr. I. G. Gajjar's KOTIDHWAJ 8-1 Damodar 4
All ran.
Won by 1 length, Shd., 2 1/4 lengths.
Time: 1 min. 41 1-5 secs.
Tote paid: Win Rs. 49, Places Rs. 24, Rs. 34 and Rs. 30.
Winner trained by Mahomedalli.

THE KHANDALA PLATE (Div. II)—6 Furlongs.

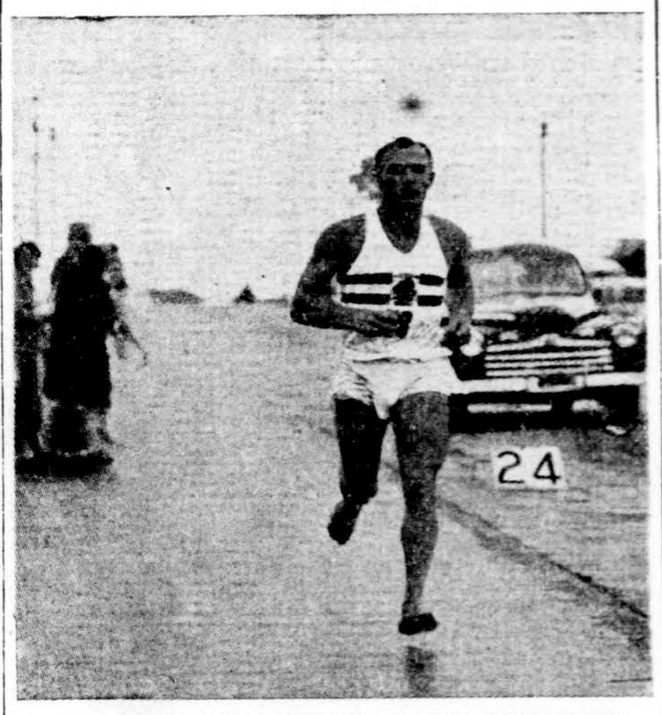
Maharaja of Morvi's NATIONAL FLAG Kheemsingh 1
Rao Saheb D. K. Parker's BELLE AMIE 9-0 P. Khade 2
Mrs. and Mr. Justice's PRINCESS DOMINIC 7-2 Sethna 3
Mr. B. R. Baid's QUEEN OF HEARTS 7-2 Shiba 4
Not run: Red Carnation, Mah Khurshid, Sonnet, Steve, Padhuma, Shirazi, Botticelli.
Tote paid: Win Rs. 17, Places Rs. 14, Rs. 28 and Rs. 105.
Winner trained by Talib.

Biggest Trouncing In Rugby History

DURLIN, Feb. 25 (PTI-Reuter):—Ireland gave Scotland one of the biggest trouncings of their Rugby Union history when they beat them here today by 21 points (three goals and two penalty goals) to zero.

'Ireland's experimental three-quarter line, with only one of the original selections playing, functioned almost perfectly.

BAREFOOT, HOLDEN WINS EMPIRE MARATHON



Running barefooted, Britain's John Holden near the end of his magnificent Marathon in the Empire Games at Auckland, New Zealand. Holden, who discarded his shoes nines miles from home, finished the course in torrential rain to be welcomed at Eden Park stadium by capacity crowds. Holden's triumph in 2 hours 32 minutes 57 seconds was the highlight of the closing day of the Games.

MADRAS BATSMEN FAIL MISERABLY IN SECOND KNOCK

Baroda Reaches Ranji Trophy Final With Innings Victory

MADRAS, Feb. 26 (PTI).

BARODA defeated Madras by an innings and 125 runs in the semi-final of the Cricket Championship of India for the Ranji Trophy, which ended half an hour before lunch here today—the third day of the five-day match. Baroda will now meet the winners of the Delhi-Holkar match in the final.

When Swaminathan and Chakravarti came out to continue Madras second innings this morning, a fighting rally was expected. But what actually happened was an utter collapse, the whole side being out for the addition of only thirty-seven runs to the overnight score of thirty-two runs for no loss.

Vijay Hazare and Gul Mohamed who opened the visitors attack this morning, ran through more than half of the Madras side before an hour was out. Yakub Sheikh and Amir Elahi completed the debacle, terminating the Madras innings for sixty-nine runs which lasted two hours. Thus Madras lost by an innings and 125 runs.

MADRAS (Second Innings):—Swaminathan b Vijay Hazare 15, Chakravarti b Gul Mohomed 14, N. S. Kannan c. Vijay Hazare, b Gul Mohomed 10, B. R. Mardi b Vijay Hazare 0, B. C. Alva b Vijay Hazare 5, M. V. Bobjee b Gul Mohomed 0, N. Kannayiram run out 6, V. Aruldoss lbw Y. Sheikh 2, A. K. Sarangapani c. Vichare b Amir Elahi 10, R. M. Perumal b Y. Sheikh 2, S. Ganesan not out 1, Extras 4, TOTAL 69.

Wickets fell: 1/33, 2/35, 3/36, 4/44, 5/44, 6/54, 7/55, 8/66, 9/66, 10/69.

Bowling Analysis:— Vijay Hazare 17.5/7/6, Amir Elahi 6/1/11/1; Yakub Sheikh 2.4/1/2/2.

BIHAR DISMISSED FOR 226 RUNS

Early Reversals For Holkar

INDORE, Feb. 26.

Holkar got Bihar out for 226 runs half an hour before close of play on the opening day of the Ranji Trophy East Zone Final here, and lost two of its wickets for 16 runs at the end of the day.

Sudhi Das, who opened the Bihar innings with Bikash Bose, scored a chanceless 72 and made the first wicket partnership worth 74 runs before Bose (26) was sent back to the pavilion by C. T. Sarwate who captured 3 wickets for 42 runs.

Skipper C. K. Nayudu made many quick changes in the attack but the Bihar pair batted confidently and aggressively; for the first 50 of the innings were scored in 45 minutes.

But after lunch Bihar lost their [illegible] Gaekwad proved to be the most successful on the matting wicket. He finished the day with a grand analysis of 5 wickets for 91 runs.

S. Mushtaq Ali who is still nursing his fractured finger took one wicket for four runs conceded in four overs.

The Holkar's lost its first wicket when only one run was on the board and its second fell for the addition of 11 runs. At close of play Mushtaq Ali and Jagdale were together with four runs each and the sides total at 16.

Bihar was all out half an hour before close of play today for 226 runs. The Holkar started their first innings immediately and made only 16 runs for the loss of 2 wickets.

BIHAR (1st Innings)

Bikash Bose b C. T. Sarwate 26, S. Das c Ramesh Pratap Singh b Gaikwad 72, Rajendra Nath c Bhaya b Mushtaq Ali 18, S. Bannerjee lbw Gaekwad 0, Sujit Dey c C. K. Nayudu b C. T. Sarwate 2, Nakhuda Ibw Sarwate 24, Bimal Bose b Gaikwad 38, A. Das b Gaikwad 3, S. Patel c Bhaya b Gaikwad 20, R. Sanyal out out 3, B. Bhattacharya not out 1, Extras 19, TOTAL 226.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1/74, 2/124, 3/124, 4/128, 5/141, 6/170, 7/187, 8/210, 9/221 and 10/226.

BOWLING ANALYSIS: Saeed R. Khan 8/0/23/0; Gaikwad 39.2/10/91/5; G. Kunzru 1/0/1/0; C. K. Nayudu 7/3/14/0; C. S. Nayudu 5/0/25/0; C. T. Sarwate 20/4/42/3; Ramesh Pratapsingh 2/0/3/0; Jagdishchandra Singh 1/0/4/0; Mushtaq Ali 4/1/4/1.

HOLKAR (First Innings)

G. Kunzru c Rajendra Nath b S. b Bimal Bose 7, Mushtaq Ali batting 4, b Bimal Bose, Mushtaq Ali batting 4, M. M. Jagdale batting 4, Extras 1, TOTAL (for two wickets) 16.

FALL OF WICKETS:—1/1 and 2/12.

BOWLING ANALYSIS: S. Bannerjee 2/0/9/1; Bimal Bose 2/0/6/1.

PARSEE CYCLISTS' EASY VICTORY

Zoroastrian Cup Cricket

BOMBAY, Sunday.

Continuing their match which was started on last Sunday 19-2-50 in Zoroastrian Cup Tournament against Parsee Cyclist Sports Club, John Bright Cricket Club were all out for 187 runs in reply to their rival's 342 for 6 wickets declared.

Resuming their innings with 105 for 4 wickets, John Bright Cricket Club could not stand to the bowling of Parsee Cyclist S.C. and could add only 82 runs more. Thus Parsee Cyclist S.C. scored an easy victory over John Bright C.C by 155 runs in the second round of the Tournament.

Parsee Cyclist S.C.:- 342 for 6 wkts declared. John Bright C.C.:- 187 for 10 wkts. (S. Havewala 55, S. Irani 32, Zack, not out 31; B. Govadia 5 for 61, D. F. Bhadha 4 for 42).

Royal Occasion Wins At Odds Of 12 To 1

CAPE TOWN, Feb. 25 (PTI-Reuter): Mr. A. R. Ellis's Royal Occasion, by Salmon out of Preston Pan, today won the Cape of Good Hope Nursery Stakes of £3,000 run over six furlongs at Kenilworth.

Royal Occasion, a 12 to one chance, won by one length from Light Shower (five to one), while Beacon Flare (16 to one) was another 1-1/2 lengths away third in a field of fourteen.

Mowgli was favourite at five to two.

The winner's time was one minute 16 and four/fifth seconds.

CLUB CRICKET IN BOMBAY

BOMBAY, Sunday.

The following are the results of the friendly matches played today.

Lever Brothers Festival Cricket at Oval.

Staff XI vs. Management XI: Match drawn. Staff XI 1st Innings:- 99 for 10 wkts. (T. G. Chavan 24, K. [illegible] 39). Management XI 1st Innings:- 21 for 10 wkts. (P. M. Nadkarni 4 for 5 runs; S. S. Padbidri 3 for 6 runs). 2nd Innings:- 118 for 9 wkts. (E. J. Paul retired 63).

Hind Mills Sports Club beat Shree Ram Mills Sports Club by 46 runs at Oval.

Hind Mills S.C.:- 114 for 10 wkts. (P. W. Kirtikar 50; D'Souza 7 for 23). Shree Ram Mills S.C.:- 68 for 10 wkts. (M. S. Patil 21; P. W. Kirtikar 4 for 24, Chafekar 3 for 11).

Young Mohenmadens beat Friends Club by One Inningst and 89 runs.

Friends Club 1st Innings:- 21, for 10 dkts. (Khandre 10; Taufique Hussein 6 for 13, Ratilal 3 for 4 runs). 2nd Innings:- 18 for 10 wkts. (Taufique Hussein 7 for 5 runs, Ratilal 3 for 11). Young Mohemadens 1st innings:- 131 for 10 wkts. (Taufique Hussein 40; Khandre 7 for 34).

Prakash Sports Club beat Karnatak Free Night High School by 59 runs at Oval.

Karnatak Free Night H.S.:- 66 for 10 wkts. (M. B. Suvarna 19, J. M. Suvarna 18; V. C. Karkera 3 for 8 runs.) Prakash S.C.:- 125 for 10 wkts (R. C. Putran 29, Virappa 29; J. M Suvarna 5 for 17, Y. B. Saliyan 4 for 36).

Amar Cricket Club beat Motibagaar Diwagan Cricket Club by 10 wkts at Oval.

Amar C. C. 1st Innings:- 71 for 10 wkts. (Mahadevan 34; Vaidya 4 for 9 runs). 2nd Innings:- 6 for No Loss. Motibazaar Diwagan C. C. 1st Innings:- 33 for 10 wkts. (H. Karekar 15; Mahadevan 4 for 7 runs, Thakore 3 for 4 runs). 2nd Innings:— 43 for 10 wkts. (R. K. Naik 6 for 8 runs).

Famous Pictures Inter-Department Festival Cricket at Oval. Direction Dept.:— 183 for 7 wkts. declared (D. D. Kashyap 54, Arjun Hingurani 40; M. B. Ghanekar 3 for 26). Technicians Dept.:- 259 for 10 wkts. (M. B. Ghanekar 60, Joshi 90, Lanel 50; Arjun 7 for 13).

Provincial Hocky Title For Lusitanians

THRILLING LAST-MINUTE GOAL

BOMBAY, Sunday.

SENSATIONAL hockey was witnessed this evening in the final of the Bombay Provincial Hockey Championship when the Lusitanians defeated the GIP Railway "A" by the odd goal in five. The Lusitanians thus completed a grand double as they had also gained premier honours in the Senior Hockey League. They have now won the Provincial Championship for the second year in succession.

The game was played at a pretty fast pace and the umpires blundered often giving decisions occasionally which were exactly the opposite. Otherwise the match was truly thrilling and seldom has such a keen tussle been witnessed at the Cooperage.

His Lordship Bishop Gracias Auxiliary Bishop of Bombay presided and distributed the prizes

Donnelly, the Railway custodian though beaten thrice gave a courageous and grand display. Nabi Shah was outstanding in the Railway defence and once again Munir, Bocarro and Kishen were powerful in the attack. For the Lusis, Louis Vaz, Woodcock, Reggie Rodrigues were constant sources of danger. Reg Rodrigues was mainly responsible for the Lusis two first goals which were affected by his clever distribution Walter D'Souza and Amir Kumar gave their usual displays.

The Lusitanians gained an early lead when they out did the Railway defence with a clever trick. In the fourth minute Reggie Rodrigues sent the ball through the centre with a forward push. Cajetan Braganza ran in and controlled the ball beautifully sending it into goal, but Donnelly, the Railway custodian rushed out and saved remarkably. Woodcock who was lying handy got hold of the rebound and sent it past a prostrate goalie.

The Railway retaliated soon and after the Lusis had moninated play for about ten minutes Kishen the Railway right outer took hold of a kick from Menezes the Lusis custodian and beat him with an acute angle shot to give his side the equalizer.

The sides crossed over with one goal being scored by each side, but on resumption within two minutes Lusis struck another good piece of luck when Reggie Rodrigues passed to Cajetan Braganza and he in turn put Woodcock in a clear position to score his side's second goal.

Both sides now wasted some very good chances but the one that was outstanding was the powerful shot from the top of the circle which Munir the Railway right in shot, but which luckily for the Lusis grazed the crossbar and went out of play.

But five minutes before the end the Railway's persistent efforts for the equalizer were rewarded when Munir scored his side's second goal from a pass from the right outer which went in only after a hectic goalmouth melee struggle was gone through.

Just as preparation were afoot for a replay, Lusis sensationally put paid to the Railways grand effort by forging ahead with the all important and match winning goal just one minute before the call of time. Cajetan Braganza was responsible for pushing the ball past Donnelly from a pass from the left. The Railway on the other side were awarded a short corner but failed to take advantage as time was called.

THE TEAMS:- LUSITANIANS 'A':- S. Manezes; S. Dias, W. D'Souza; F. D'Gama, A. Kumar, M. Vaz; L. Vaz, L. Woodcock, C. Braganza, R. Rodrigues and P. Pereira.

GIP RAILWAY 'A'; Donnelly; Lall Mahomed, Nabi Sha; Rahmat, Pyare Lal, Qayyum; Kishan, Hanif, Bocarro, Munir, Lyte.

Umpires:- Joseph and Stivens.

Earlier in the evening in the Jepsen Cup Hockey Tournament Goans 'B' and Overseas Communications Service were concerned in another goalless draw. This is the second replay.

Hockey Umpires Muddle To Be Resolved

BOMBAY, Sunday.

The much awaited Extraordinary General Meeting of the Bombay Hockey Umpire Association took place this morning at the Municipal Sports Club but ended in a tame note.

The Elections scheduled to take place did not come off and no resolutions or amendments were passed.

The centre of interest was focussed on a long speech delivered by Mr. C. S. A. Swami who gave the members present a brief outline of what transpired between him and Mr. Naval Tata the Patron of the B.H.U.A. and President of the B.P.H.A. also, who expressed willingness to settle the matter in an amicable manner.

It was decided by the General body to send their Interim Committee to wait on him in a deputation and to give Mr. Tata a first hand view of their side of the facts of the Hockey Umpires muddle.

Purushottam Shield Cricket Tournament

BOMBAY, Sunday.

The following are the results of matches that were played to-day in the Purshottam Hindu Cricket Championship Shield Cricket Tournament:—

Fort Vijay Cricket Club beat Bhatia Sports Club by 3 wickets and 260 runs at Azad Maidan.

Bhatia S.C.:—55 for 10 wkts. (K. A. Sampat 30; H. G. Kapadia 4 for 19, S. S. Balgi 2 for 7 runs). Fort Vijay C.C.:—315 for 7 wkts. (H. G. Kapadia 86, K. C. Mashruwala 33, T. K. Kothari 63, R. G. Ashar, not out 51; Kothari 3 for 98).

Naik's Merry Maharashtrians Cricket Club beat Bharat Cricket Club by 191 runs at Cross Maidan.

Bharat C.C.:—82 for 10 wkts. (J. K. Bhanglay 30). Naik's Merry Maharashtrian C.C.:—273 for 10 wkts. (R. R. Chandorkar 40, M. R. Rege 51, A. R. Kshirsagar 65, K. V. Palvankar, 47; Adhikari 6 for 84).

Mahim Juvenile Cricket Club beat P. J. Hindu Gymkhana "B" by 18 runs.

Mahim Juvenile C.C.:—187 for 10 wkts. (K. R. Panjari 48, V. B. Bagve 34, Jukar 33; N. C. Jhaveri 4 for 61, S. N. Mehta 3 for 47. P. J. Hindu Gymkhana "B":—169 for 10 wkts. (N. C. Jhaveri 69; J. J. Kore 6 for 87, K. R. Panjari 3 for 37).

United Karnatak Cricket Club beat Goa Hindu Association Cricket Club by 5 wickets and 20 runs at Cross Maidan.

Goa Hindu A.C.C.:—124 for 10 wkts. (Shetty 3 for 35). United Karnatak C.C.:—144 for 5 wkts. (K. J. Rao 52, Y. M. Mandon 31; Raikar 3 for 45).

Gay Musafirs beat Prabhu Young Cricket Club by 7 wickets and 18 runs.

Prabhu Young S.C.:—80 for 10 wts. (D. S. Talpade 34 not out; M. M. Dalvi 4 for 22, T. B. Vinod 3 for 16) Gay Musafirs:—98 for 3 wkts. (Bhajekar 40, T. B. Vinod 35; S. S. Anandkar 2 for 29).

Regal Sports Club beat Pathare Prabhu Sports Club by 22 runs at Cross Maidan.

Regal S.C.:—175 for 10 wkts. (M. R. Karkhanis 60, P. B. Dharadkar 34; D. D. Wagh 5 for 39, M. V. Samel 4 for 33). Pathare Prabhu S.C.:—153 for 10 wkts. V. S. Kambli 51, M. V. Samel 30; P. B. Dharadkar 3 for 2 runs).

New Hindu Sports Club drew with Crescent Cricket Club.

Crescent C.C.:—270 for 10 wkts. (Bagwe 75; Parvalekar 5 for 55). New Hindu S.C.—171 for 7 wkts. (Vasta 53, Kenney 30; A. T. Joshi 3 for 44). The Match will be replayed.

National Cricket Club beat Rajhans Cricket Club by 483 runs at Cross Maidan.

National C.C.:—347 for 10 wkts. (B. G. Patel 245). Rajhans C.C.:—64 for 10 wkts.

Rowing Contest At Colombo Ends In A Deadheat

COLOMBO, Feb. 25 (PTI): The Madras Rowing Club finished in a deadheat here today with a Colombo Team in their annual rowing contest over a distance of one mile.

Madras Club took an early lead but the home team drew abreast half way up the course Madras spurted half length lead in the last lap but Colombo shot forward to dead heat.

The contest was held in Colombo's Beira Lake.

Ceylon Forced To Follow On Wet Wicket

MAGNIFICENT KNOCK OF 96 BY SATHASIVAM

COLOMBO, Feb. 26 (PTI).

A magnificent knock of 96 by Sathasivam, who went in at the fall of the first wicket and was last out, was the highlight of the second day's play in the Unofficial Test Match between the Commonwealth and Ceylon at the Oval here today.

Caught on a wet wicket after overnight rain, Ceylon were forced to follow on. The Commonwealth declared their first innings closed at the overnight total of 355 for 5 and then dismissed Ceylon for 153.

Following on 202 behind, Ceylon were 16 for one wicket in their second innings at the close, and still needed 186 to avert an innings defeat.

The wicket behaved strangely, and balls kicked up at various heights, even when the spinners were on.

Playing sparkling cricket, the loose limbed batsman had plenty of time for his strokes and he late cut rising balls high over the heads of slips, these shots giving him many runs. At home against all the bowlers, Sathasivam was beaten only once, a ball from Tribe which got past him also missing the stumps.

He batted for four hours and hit 11 fours. On a slow outfield, the Commonwealth fielding was brilliant, while George Pope, turning the ball appreciably, found the wicket to his liking. He took 3 for 28. Australian Fred Freer had 3 for 44 and Harry Lambert, the Victorian left hander, and Frank Worrell, West Indies player, shared the other 4 wickets. Pope also had the Ceylon opener Makin Salih caught in his leg trap just before the close in the home side's second innings.

Ceylon followed on 202 runs behind and lost one wicket for 16 runs before the close of play.

COMMONWEALTH (1st Innings) for 5 wkts. decl. 355

CEYLON (1st Innings)

Makin Salih c Place b Lambert 1, De Saram c Alley b Freer 0, Sathasivam b Freer 96, Radrigo b Freer 0, Gunasekera c Alley b Worrell 9, Coomaraswamy c Tribe b Pope 11, Burton c Place b Worrell b Wijesinghe c Holt b Lambert 7, Jayasinghe c and b Pope 17, Navaratne lbw b Pope 0, De Soyasa not out 0, Extras 3, TOTAL 153.

Wickets fell at: 0, 6, 17, 41, 60, 83, 127, 147, 147.

Bowling Analysis: Lambert 9/2/33/2, Freer 11.3/2/44/3, Pope 14/4/28/3, Worrell 7/3/18/2, Tribe 11/2/27/0.

CEYLON (Second Innings)

Makin Salih c Place b Pope 10, De Saram not out 5, Navaratne not out 0, Extra 1, TOTAL (for 1 wicket) 16.

Bowling Analysis: Lambert **3/2/1/0, Freer 5/1/12/0, Pope 3/1/2/1.**

In the Day's Sport

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HAPUR MARKETS

GUR PRICES IN U. P. RECOVER

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT)

HAPUR, Feb. 26.

THE first effects of the prohibition of rail movements of gur within and outside the U. P. have passed off and prices that had fallen down in the first instance have now recovered more than half in all markets.

In the surplus areas this embargo on rail movements has caused a price advance of Rs. 4 to Rs. 6 per maund and consumers in these areas have thus been the worst sufferers by this movement restrictions. Hapur prices are Rs. 22 to Rs. 22-4 per maund.

At Meerut and Muzaffarnagar prices range between Rs. 21-8 and Rs. 23-8 according to quality. Of the deficit areas, prices in Kathiawar are as high as Rs. 30 to Rs. 33 and in Calcutta Rs. 28-12 to Rs. 31. .Bombay and Madhya Pradesh markets also offer quite high prices.

The sharp advance in gur prices in the deficit areas is enabling gur traders to move gur to deficit areas by paying very high truck charges to stations from where rail loading is still possible. Large stocks of gur are being presently moved to Bahadurgarh, Sonepat and Panipat stations in the Punjab.

ARRIVALS DECLINE

Good loads were in the first instance moved to Delhi and Shahdra stations but the Chief Commissioner of Delhi has banned from February 18 the export of gur shakkar and khandsari by rail from any place within Delhi province.

The drain during the last week through roads have been so heavy that more than half of the accumulated stocks at Hapur, Meerut and Mazaffarnagar have been wiped off.

Hapur has already received this year about 5-1|2 lakh maunds of gur as compared with 3-1|2 lakh mds. during the corresponding period last year. Some more gur is still expected to reach the market, although arrivals are now declining as most of the small peasants have finished with their cane. Sugar mills in the Districts are not getting enough Cane.

OILS AND SEEDS

The markets have remained very quiet and there has been little doing. The oil crisis in the State is taking a turn for the worse. More than 25 factories at Kanpur have announced their decision to close down from March 1 due to acute shortage of oilseeds and rapeseeds, free from argemone and to certain other factors.

Many more in the State are likely to follow suit. Production of oils and cakes have for some time been on the lowest level. Ready business has also been at a standstill. The Oilmills situated in the west U.P. are likely to announce a final date of the closing of the mills.

The U.P. castor crop for the year 1949-50 is reported to be on the whole good and the average anna condition of the crop is estimated at 81 per cent of the normal against 85 per cent of the normal last year. A Conference of the States Representative will be held in New Delhi on February 27 when a proposal to ban speculative business in oilseeds will be considered.

The latest quotations in the Hapur market are: sarson 35, taraseed 31 to 29, groundnut 20 to 24, cottonseed 16, mustard oil 95, til oil 70, groundnut oil 72, linseed oil 68, mustard cake 13 and til cake 8.

BULLION

The silver forward market remained highly erratic. Conditions bordering on panic were witnessed towards the mid-session which led to a considerable fall in the quotations but strong bulls were not deterred and continued to support the market at lower levels.

The result has been the complete regaining of the entire lost ground. One of the important causes that created panic was the New Delhi report that "the Government of India will shortly issue an Ordinance banning futures trading in commodities and bullion." There were strong rumours also about offerings of silver from official sources. The gold market on the other hand remained steady and exhibited more stable conditions. Fluctuations in this section were poor.

On Friday last silver had closed here at 180|15 and gold at 115. They fell to 173-10 and 113-8 lowest during the week but have since recovered to 182-8 and 116 presently. The undertone of the markets is far from steady. Present uncertainties continue to be exploited by the speculators to their advantage.

Two factors had in particular unnerved Bombay speculators. The recurrent large business of silver coins to be demonetised in Hyderabad State and the expectation that the Government will release in the near future silver for sale held on account of U.S. Lend lease which is being settled.

MADRAS GIVES RACES NEW LEASE OF LIFE

MADRAS, Feb. 26 (P.T.I.): The Madras Government has decided to postpone the enforcement of the City Police and Gaming (Amendment Act 1949) for prohibiting betting on horse races by one year that is from April 1950 to April 1951, it is officially announced yesterday.

This is in pursuance of a decision on the postponement taken by the Madras Congress Legislature Party in deference to the advice of the Prime Minister of India.

Italian Trade Attache

ROME, Feb. 26 (P.T.I.-Reuter): Italy's new Trade Attache at the Italian Embassy in India, Marcello Serafini, is expected to leave for New Delhi early next month, it was learned here last night.

103 NEW UNIONS JOIN I. N. T. U. C.

72,022 Members

NEW DELHI, Feb. 26 (P.T.I.): The Working Committee of the Indian National Trade Union Congress decided here yesterday to affiliate 103 new unions with a membership of 72,022 thus making a total membership of 13,88,992 as on February 24, 1950.

The Committee which started its session yesterday morning, under the presidentship of Mr. Khandubhai K. Desai, decided to disaffiliate two unions namely, "Surma Upatyaka Cha Shramik Union" and "Suti Mill Mazdoor Union".

The Committee authorized the President and General Secretary of the U.P. provincial branch of the I.N.T.U.C. to take suitable steps to safeguard the interests of the workers in "the vacuum created by the disaffiliation of the Suit Mill Mazdoor Union and pave the way for setting up and functioning of a solid union of textile workers in Kanpur".

The Working Committee which will again meet today decided to hold the next annual session in Bihar preferably in Nameshpur in October this year.

WEST GERMANY'S SECURITY

BONN, Feb. 26 (PTI-Reuter): West German Chancellor, Konrad Adenauer, has asked the western powers to give the West German Republic an "unreserved security guarantee."

"I strictly oppose any remilitarisation of Western Germany. It is the obligation of the western powers to protect the federal territory", he said.

Hungarian Ministers Resign

BUDAPEST, Feb. 26 (PTI-Reuter): The Hungarian Government today announced the resignation of Mr. Istven Kossa, Communist Finance Minister and Mr. Gyula Ortutay, Small Holders' Party Minister of Education.

The Secretary of the Presidium of the Hungarian Parliament, Mr. Karoly Olt, takes over the Finance Ministry and is himself replaced by Mrs. Piroska Szabo, a woman worker.

Mr. Lasslo Sandor is the new Minister of Education.

ARGENTINE PRESENT

His Excellency Mr. Jamshed Vesugar, Indian Ambassador to Argentine, being presented the flag of the 5th Military Regiment as a souvenir of his visit to the Bahia Blanca Garrison, Argentine.—PIB.

American Markets

COTTON RALLIES WITH NEW HIGHS IN OLD CROPS

STOCK CAUTIOUS WITH EXPECTED DEVELOPMENTS IN COAL SITUATION

NEW YORK, February 25.

Following an initial slight decline, prices in cotton rallied with old crops, again establishing new seasonal highs. The upturn was attributed to lack of follow-through on the selling side, renewal of trade, price fixing and commission house replacement demand which disclosed a scarcity of contracts.

Some buying of new crops was partially based on the sharp discounts under nearbys together with prospects of further tightening of supplies next season due to a smaller acreage resulting from government controls.

End-of-week profit-taking finally checked upturns with the session closing steady. Sales were placed at about 80,000 bales.

Stocks displaced a cautious attitude was due to week end considerations and a desire to await developments in the coal situation. In limited activity, the market turned irregularly and mostly fractionally lower under the leadership of dividend casualties in Motors and Rails with assorted Aircrafts, Steels, woollens and Specialities also among the lower issues.

Oils were steady but slow. A sizeable cut in Texas crudeoil allowable output in March is expected to sharply reduce the chances of a price cut for the time being. Some covering developed near the close and the composite average finished with only a very small loss. The session closed steady.

CHICAGO GRAINS: The market developed a firmer undertone under the leadership of soybeans which reflected the continued strength of crude vegetable oils and scarcity of offerings. Other grains were aided by expectations of broadening export business in wheat and flour next week and the higher trend of cotton futures. Italy is scheduled to buy flour as well as 2,250,000 bushels of wheat while Portugal and England are also potential buyers of wheat in the near future as a result of the recent ECA grants to these countries. (PTI-Reuter).

Index Numbers Of Security Prices

(Base: 1938—100)
ALL-INDIA.

Group and Sub-group	WEEK ENDED 19-2-49	21-1-50	11-2-50	18-2-50
Govt. and Semi-Gov. Securities:				
Govt. of India Loans	101.60	101.26	101.12	101.06
Indian States Loans	102.02	98.89	98.89	98.89
Municipal, Port Trust and Improvement Trust Loans	98.00	97.25	97.23	97.23
GROUP INDEX	101.51	101.12	100.99	100.93
Fixed Dividend Industrial Securities:				
Electricity	77.5	81.1	80.8	80.7
Cotton	158.7	149.6	149.2	149.4
Jute	107.3	90.0	89.5	89.1
Coal	115.4	107.0	106.9	106.7
Iron and Steel	86.5	91.3	90.0	90.2
Sugar	128.0	106.9	106.9	106.5
Paper	119.9	99.2	100.4	100.1
Plantations	120.8	110.0	111.7	113.7
GROUP INDEX	105.72	100.76	100.12	100.16
Variable Dividend Industrial Securities:				
Banks	130.5	123.0	121.2	120.8
Insurance	140.8	122.3	121.6	121.7
Investment Trusts	186.9	169.8	166.8	164.7
Electricity Companies and Tramways	86.1	85.8	85.2	85.1
Shipping and Other Transport Companies	123.2	94.1	92.0	91.0
Railways	91.1	90.0	89.6	89.6
Plantations	144.1	127.1	128.2	127.8
Cotton, Woollen and Silk	172.8	158.5	153.7	153.5
Jute	96.5	78.0	75.2	74.6
Coal	124.9	106.3	105.4	104.9
Mining and Oil	69.4	63.2	60.6	58.9
Iron and Steel	146.2	154.3	151.4	151.1
General Engineering	169.3	165.7	162.4	162.9
Sugar	134.6	121.6	119.5	118.2
Breweries	107.0	107.5	104.1	103.2
Chemicals	163.9	161.5	160.6	161.2
Paper	98.5	108.7	104.9	104.3
Cement	125.3	133.2	124.6	123.0
GROUP INDEX	126.49	118.71	116.24	115.54

II. REGIONAL

REGION AND GROUP				
BOMBAY				
Govt. and Semi-Govt. Securities	100.90	100.41	100.33	100.30
Fixed Dividend Industrials	94.3	98.7	97.7	97.8
Variable Dividend Industrials	139.1	136.3	132.6	132.5
CALCUTTA				
Govt. and Semi-Govt. Securities	101.85	101.48	101.30	101.25
Fixed Dividend Industrials	118.6	101.3	100.8	100.5
Variable Dividend Industrials	117.9	107.0	104.9	103.9
MADRAS				
Govt. and Semi-Govt. Securities	101.67	101.48	101.31	101.21
Fixed Dividend Industrials	123.1	116.3	116.3	116.9
Variable Dividend Industrials	147.4	141.5	140.3	140.2

DR. KUNZRU BACK

NEW DELHI, Feb. 26 (PTI): Dr. Hirday Nath Kunzru, leader of the Indian Delegation to South Africa, returned to Delhi yesterday after participating in preliminary talks for the holding of a round table conference. Dr. Kunzru was given a reception at Palam aerodrome by the members of the Central Welfare and Vigilance Society of which he is the President.

38 Indian Pilgrims Die Of Cholera

RAXAUL, Feb. 26 (UPI): Thirty-eight Indian pilgrims from among those who visited Nepal recently during the 'Shivratri' festival are reported to have died of cholera on their return journey. Of these, 20 are reported to have died between Bhimpedi and Amlekganj in Nepal, and nine in Raxaul. About nine other cases were admitted to the local Duncan Hospital and have favourably progressed.

According to a report received here, due to the prompt action by the Nepal State authorities the epidemic has been checked.

ALL ASSISTANCE TO INDIA WHENEVER NEEDED

Nepal Premier's Pledge

DEHRA DUN, Feb. 26, (PTI).

MAHARAJA Mohun Shamsher Jung Bahadur Rana, Prime Minister of Nepal said here yesterday that Nepal would always co-operate with India and "we will give assistance to her whenever needed and go to her succour when she is in danger."

The Prime Minister who was addressing in Gurkhali a ceremonial parade of Gurkhas added: "There is unbroken tie and traditional friendship with our great neighbour India and this friendship has now become more profound in that you are making a valuable contribution in safeguarding the security of India, which is so vitally important for Nepal also".

He said: "I am very happy to avail of the opportunity of my visit to Delhi to spend sometime in your midst here in Dehra Dun. I am very happy to see all of you assembled here. I had already the occasion to see some of your comrades of the Indian Army, who are discharging their duties efficiently.

KEEP IT UP

"I was indeed pleased to see for myself the tremendous public ovation the Gurkhas received when they marched past. It was spontaneous gesture and an appreciation of the public of India which you have won through your gallant service to India. India regards you with love and affection".

He called upon the Gurkhas to keep up the highest tradition of gallantry, discipline and service which they and their predecessors had built up and thus enhance their prestige.

All contingents of Gurkha troops stationed in Dehra Dun gave a ceremonial parade in honour of the Prime Minister's visit. Another parade was also held at the National Defence Academy.

The Prime Minister made the following donations here: The National Defence Academy Rs. 1,000; Red Cross, Dehra Dun Rs. 1,000; All Gurkha Regiments Rs. 7,000 and Disabled Gurkhas Ex-Servicemen Rs. 1,000.

Maharaja Mohun Shamsher Jung Bahadur Rana left Dehra Dun last afternoon on his return journey to Nepal.

GRATITUDE FOR FRIENDSHIP

Soekarno's Message

NEW DELHI, Feb. 26 (PTI): The President has received the following message from Dr. Soekarno, President of the United States of Indonesia.

"Having returned from my visit to India, Pakistan and Burma I feel a strong urge to communicate the following to you.

"The reception accorded to me by the Government and people of India during my five day's stay in your country has left a profound impression upon me and it moves me to assure Your Excellency of my sincerest gratitude.

"The many tokens of friendship and fraternity which I had occasion to observe in your country in regard to my government and my people shall, I hope and expect, undoubtedly conduce to strengthen the relations between Indonesia and India to the benefit of both peoples.

"I take this opportunity to repeat to Your Excellency the assurance of my highest consideration".

COMBINING STUDY AND WORK

Dr. J. C. Ghosh's Appeal

BANARAS, Feb. 26 (PTI): Dr. J. C. Ghosh, Director-General of Industry, Government of India, pleaded here today for the adoption in India of the American system of combining work and study in the programme of training technicians.

Presiding over the ninth annual meeting of the Association of principals of Technical Institutions, Dr. Ghosh said: "We are pledged to the creation of a sovereign democratic state which will secure equality of opportunity to every citizen. The aim should be to educate every child of promise to the limit of his abilities regardless of the ncome of his parents." Poverty should be no bar to talented boys rising to the topmost positions, he added.

MINISTERS MUST TAKE A CUT

Sind's Search For Economy

KARACHI, Feb. 25. (PTI-Reuter)—The Retrenchment and Reorganising Committee appointed by the Sind Government has recommended the abolition of the Refugee Rehabilitation Department among other measures to "balance" the Sind budget.

The Committee's other recommendations are: The ministers should accept a voluntary cut in their salaries and forego their travelling allowance of Rs. 600, reduction of police expenditure, drastic cut in the allowance drawn by officers, and axing of the number of peons in Government offices.

As Sind is losing an annual income of Rs. one crore after the separation of Karachi from the province, the Committee has recommended that the Central Government be approached for a fair allocation to the province of Income and Sales Taxes.

The Sind Government is expected to make a saving of Rs. 80 lakhs and get an additional income of Rs. 20 lakhs when the recommendations of the Committee are implemented.

NAVAL RALLY IN COCHIN

Admiral Parry's Hopes For Future

ERNAKULAM, Feb. 26 (P.T.I.): A Naval Rally and Ex-Ratings Reunion was held here yesterday. A select gathering was present at the function which was held at the Durbar Hall grounds here. The gathering included among others the Maharaja of Cochin, Commodore H. B. Ellison, Commodore-in-Charge, I. N. S. Venduruthy and the Chief Justice of the High Court of the United State of Travancore and Cochin.

Sardar Baldev Singh, India's Defence Minister and Vice-Admiral Sir William E. Parry, C-in-C, Indian Navy were present.

Mr. K. P. Rao, Chairman, welcoming the gathering said: "Cochin has been chosen as the centre for this conference mainly because so many of the men who served on Indian ships during World War Two hailed from this area".

Admiral Parry replying said: "Indian Navy is old though small in size and since the achievement of independence by India they were expanding the Navy". He was proud to say that Indian Navy was capable of carrying out any naval operations.

He, however, emphasised the need for building bigger ships for the purpose and pointed out that the cruiser "Delhi" and the recently acquired destroyers, the Ranjit, Rajput and Rana were a pointer towards that end. He expressed his confidence in the ability of the Indian sailors.

PLANNING COMMISSION WELCOMED

I. N. T. U. C. Wants Profit Motive To Go

NEW DELHI, Feb. 26 (UPI).

THE Working Committee of the Indian National Trade Union Congress which concluded its meeting here today welcomed the proposed appointment of a National Planning Commission as "a great landmark in the history of the nation, in its attempt to attain economic stability with a view to providing full employment and to raising the standard of living of the masses of this country."

The Committee suggested that to play its proper role, the Planning Commission should aim "at the progressive elimination of social and economic exploitation and inequality, the profit motive in the economic activity and organisation of society and the anti-social concentration of power in any form".

The Commission in its view, should be composed of persons with broad social outlook, enjoying full confidence of the nation as a whole and should be so integrated with the Government machinery that while on the one hand it retains an independent status, it is also in a position to exercise effective influence on the policies of the Government in the economic domain.

UNEMPLOYMENT

By another resolution, the Working Committee also expressed concern at the growing deterioration in employment position resulting from retrenchments and closures of some undertakings. While the Committee agreed that the present crisis could not be averted unless there was a rapid and substantial rise in national production, it reaffirmed "its belief that no efforts in that direction can bear any fruit unless and until industrial organisation of our country is thoroughly examined with a view to rectify abuses and to effect an all-round improvement."

Urging early appointment of Investigation Commissions to inquire into the affairs of selected industries, the Committee asked the Government to put an effective check on all retrenchments and closures during the pendency of the proposed inquiry.

The Indian National Trade Union Congress today claimed a membership of nearly 14 lakhs, as a result of affiliation of 103 new unions consisting of about 72,000 members which was sanctioned by the Working Committee at its two-day session here.

OTHER FORMS OF PROTECTION THAN TARIFFS

Dr. Gyan Chand's Views

NEW DELHI, Feb. 26, (PTI).

THE sixth meeting of the Fiscal Commission was held yesterday under the chairmanship of Sir V. T. Krishnamachari, Chairman of the Commission.

In the morning, the Commission examined Sir C. D. Deshmukh on the subjects of capital formation, foreign investments, balance of payments and its effects on the pace of industrial development and the financial problems of small-scale industries.

In the afternoon, the Commission examined Dr. Gyan Chand on several major issues relating to planned development of industries, the future pattern of industrialisation and the role of tariffs in the development of industries.

PROTECTION

On the last point, Dr. Gyan Chand was of the view that tariff and tariff fixing will rapidly take a subsidiary role in the development of industries, and increasing resort to other forms of protection and assistance would be necessary.

He agreed that the pace and direction of planning would necessarily be governed by the adequacy of the administrative organisation that Government might succeed in building up to deal with its development plans.

Among the priorities of economic development he mentioned rationalisation of agriculture, efficient utilisation of mineral resources and the establishment of basic industry.

It will be recalled in this context that on the subject of mineral development, the Commission on Friday examined the spokesman of the recently established Bureau of Mines. The constitution of this organisation had been recommended by the All-India Mineral Conference of January 1947, called by the Ministry of Works, Mines and Power.

But the spokesman of the Bureau stated that little progress had been so far made in the matter, primarily because of personnel and financial difficulties. Quicker progress, it was added, was expected in the near fut...

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WESTERLING IS ARRESTED

Entered Singapore On The Sly

SINGAPORE, Feb. 26, (PTI-Reuter).

CAPTAIN "Turco" Westerling, whose Heavenly Host rebel army recently captured Bandung, Indonesia, was arrested early today in Singapore.

He is being charged with entering the colony without proper papers and the authorities plan to hold him in a detention camp on St. Johns Island, off Singapore.

Westerling disappeared from Indonesia and was believed to have flown here last Wednesday. His wife said he had gone to get money and arms and would return and the Indonesian authorities asked Singapore Police to hold him.

WESTERLING SURPRISED

Westerling was surprised at the home of a Chinese in the centre of Singapore and submitted to arrest by a British police officer without resisting.

He confrmed his wife's story that he had gone to Malaya in search of funds and arms for his organisation in Indonesia.

Westerling was alleged to be carrying a false passport.

EXTRADITION DEMANDED

DJAKARTA: Indonesia has asked Britain to extradite Captain Westerling from Singapore.

An official communique issued here announced that in connection with reports of Westerling's arrest in Singapore the Indonesian Government on having first suspicions of Westerling's escape had immediately contacted the British Embassy here concerning his extradition "on the ground of crimes perpetrated by him in Indonesia".

Westerling's wife said last week that he had gone to Singapore "to get money and weapons and will return to Indonesia".

STAR LINE PLANE FORCE-LANDS

Passengers And Crew Unhurt

BOMBAY, Sunday (PTI): The Calcutta-bound Star Line aircraft which took off from Santa Cruz airport here this morning, force-landed at about 9 a.m. at Aurangabad airport, it is learned here.

The 12 occupants of the plane and the crew are safe and unhurt.

The plane developed port engine trouble and was forced to land.

The Captain of the aircraft is stated to have signalled the Santa Cruz airport authorities for a relief plane.

The Star Line aircraft expected at Santa Cruz from Calcutta will, it is understood, fly to Aurangabad after discharging its passengers in Bombay. It will then fly the 12 Calcutta-bound occupants of the stranded plane to their destination.

The relief Dakota aircraft carrying a team of engineers of the Indian Overseas Airlines took off from Santa Cruz airport shortly after three p.m. today. The aircraft is flying direct to Aurangabad airport to pick up the 12 stranded passengers.

The Dakota is expected to reach Calcutta tonight via Nagpur.

NORWEGIAN PLANE LEAVES FOR OSLO

Held Up Due To Engine Trouble

BOMBAY, Sunday (PTI): Twenty passengers travelling by Brathen's South American Far East Transport Skymaster aircraft—a Norwegian airline—who were held up in Bombay about 16 hours due to engine trouble took off from Santa Cruz for Oslo this morning.

The plane, which is on a schedule service between Hong Kong and Oslo operating via Calcutta and Bombay, arrived here from Calcutta yesterday with the passengers.

One of its four engines developed engine trouble and the plane after discharging its passengers left for Karachi last evening for necessary repairs.

The skymaster having returned from Karachi this morning was airworthy and left for Oslo with the passengers.

SUGAR BY NEW PROCESS

Demonstrations At Muzaffarnagar

NEW DELHI, Feb. 26 (PTI): Demonstrations of the improved process of sugar manufacture by the open-pan system, are being given at the Govardhan Sugar Works, Muzaffarnagar, Uttar Pradesh it was learned here. The demonstrations are conducted under the auspices of the Indian Institute of Sugar Technology.

The improved process was evolved at the Sugar Research and Testing Station, Bilari, under the Director, Indian Institute of Sugar Technology, Kanpur. It gives 1.5 per cent higher yield of Khansari sugar of a better quality than that generally obtained by the ordinary process followed in the country.

The export of "Kulthi" and cottonseed from Hyderabad is banned at present and the export of groundnut is permitted only to the extent of 15,000 tons for the first quarter of 1950, according to a press note issued on Sunday. The note adds that the export of "moong" remains banned.

CHINESE TOWN ATTACKED

Nationalist Planes Go Into Action

HONG KONG, Feb. 26 (PTI-Reuter): Chinese Nationalist aircraft today attacked Schumchun, Chinese town on the Hong Kong border, for the third time in five days.

Nationalist planes also infringed British territory again today when they made strafing runs. Royal Air Force Spitfires took off from Kitk airfield but the raiders were gone when they reached the frontier.

The planes attacking Schumchun shot up transport and other tagets, but damage was reported to be less than that done in earlier raides when hundreds of thousands of dollars worth of petrol, rubber and other goods were destroyed.

Heavy Nationalist raids are expected to continue along the railway between the Hong Kong border and Canton.

Thousands of people are reported to be fleeing Canton following Nationalist leaflet warnings that they intend to bomb the power plants and other targets there.

Kongmoon Air Raid Kills 2,000

HONG KONG, Feb. 26 (PTI-Reuter): Nearly 2,000 people were killed in Thursday's Nationalist air raid on Kongmoon in Kwantung Province, according to reports received here.

U. S. PROTEST OVER PLANES

HONG KONG, Feb. 26 (PTI-Reuter): The United States Consul-General in Hong Kong Mr. Karl Rankin has delivered his country's protest against the release of 71 formerly Nationalist-owned planes to the Chinese Communists.

Atlantic Treaty Nations' Envoys Meet

Representatives of signatory nations of the North Atlantic Treaty, photo graphed in Washington, D.C., on January 27 after signing agreements with the United States to receive mi litary aid. (Left to right): Bruce; Baron Silvercruys, Belgian Ambassador to the U.S.; Henri Bonnet, French Ambassador to the U.S., Wilhelm Munthe de Morgenstierne, Norwegian Ambassador to the U.S., Secretary of State Dean Acheson; Alberto Tarchiani; Italian Ambassador to the U.S.; Henrik de Kauffmann, Danish Ambassador to the U.S.; and Hughes Le Gallais, Luxembourg's Minister to the U.S.

PANDIT NEHRU RIDES THE MERRY-GO-ROUND

Attends Garden Fete In Aid Of Delhi Y. W. C. A.

NEW DELHI, Feb. 26 (P.T.I.): Prime Minister Pandit Nehru had an "evening off" yesterday when he took part in the merry-go-round and other children's sports at the garden fete and Flower Show organised here in aid of the Delhi Y.W.C.A.

Earlier he declared the show open which was attended among others by Lady Mountbatten, who arrived here this morning on a six-day private visit to the Indian capital.

Pandit Nehru accompanied by Lady Mountbatten spent over an hour at the show and evinced a keen interest in flowers and vegetables exhibited there.

The centre of attraction at the show was the Children's Park where amusements and sports for children included a merry-go-round. Pandit Nehru took part in the ride with 30 other children and duly paid his four annas as the fare.

Mrs. Matthai, President of the Y.W.C.A. and chief organiser of the show, speaking at the opening ceremony said the show had been organised to help the Y.W.C.A. in building a new hostel and expand the present one. New construction, she said, was necessitated on account of the increase in the number of working girls in the city who needed accommodation.

Lady Mountbatten gave away the prizes to the best contributors of flowers and vegetables.

REMINDERS

"What happens to a cup after it has been won?"

This question was posed yesterday by Prime Minister, Pandit Nehru while distributing prizes at the Flower Show organised here by the Y.W.C.A.

He said he had won two in the whole of his life — "but one of them has been lost".

Cups or shields, Pandit Nehru said, pointing to an array of them on the nearby table, were given as remembrance of an event in which one had distinguished oneself. A large number of them, however, could not be used to adorn the house and therefore often fell into neglect.

He suggested, therefore, that at Flower Shows like this, garden instruments of silver cups should be given "to remind one of what one had done or what one ought to do".

PAN AM'S NEW AIR CARGO PACT

43 U. S. Cities Linked With Worlds Points

CALCUTTA, Feb. 26.

An air cargo agreement linking 43 of the main United States cities with points all over the world was recently announced by Pan American World Airways and the Flying Tiger Line of the USA.

The agreement provides for shipments on one airway bill from any of the 43 cities served by Flying Tiger to any point on the six continents served by Pan American. Cargo picked up by Flying Tiger will connect with Pan American at New York and Boston for Europe ad Africa, and for the Far East at Los Angeles, San Francisco, Portland and Seattle.

In making the announcement Pan American said, "This agreement will eliminate a great deal of the duplicate paper work now necessary and will permit the publication by both Flying Tiger and Pan American of through cargo rates. It will also aid in the development of an efficient international air freight system which will enable business to keep pace with the demand and supply of world markets".

The arrangement will mean that shippers all over the world who use Clipper Cargo will now have even quicker access to U.S. markets.

Mao Visits A Russian Provincial Capital

LONDON, Feb. 26 (PTI-Reuter): The Chinese Communist Leader Mao Tse Tung and Foreign Minister Chou En Lai visited Chita, capital of the Soviet Province of Chitinsk, north of Mongolia, on their way back to China from Moscow, according to Tass.

RUSSIA RATHER THAN INDIA!

A View Of Future Of Kashmir

(From Our Correspondent)

KARACHI, Feb. 26: "If Kashmiris were to choose only between the alternatives of Kashmir either being a province of India or that of the USSR we would prefer to become part of the Soviet Union", said Sardar Mohomed Ibrahim Khan, President of the "Azad Kashmir" Government, addressing a gathering of staff and students of the local Dow Medical College to whom he appealed for medical aid in case of "war with India".

Sardar Ibrahim Khan said that "there could be no peace between India and Pakistan so long as India continued to occupy Kashmir by force. Kashmir formed a part of Pakistan 'as a limb of a body' and if the two were cut asunder, none of them could survive".

The "Azad Kashmir" President added, "We shall be sadly mistaken if we depend on the Security Council to decide something for us at an early date. The solution lies in our own hands and the only way of getting world diplomacy to 'our side' for to strengthen ourselves to defend our territory."

PATRIKA BANNED IN E. BENGAL

Inflammatory News

DACCA, Feb. 26 (P.T.I.-Reuter): The East Bengal Government yesterday announced they had passed orders banning temporarily the entry of the Amrita Bazar Patrika into the province with immediate effect. The government's decision to lift the existing ban on the entry of the "Nation", another English daily of Calcutta, was announced simultaneously.

Three other Calcutta dailies—Hindustan Standard, Anand Bazar Patrika and Ittehad,—continue to be banned in East Bengal for past several months.

A press note issued here alleged that the government had been observing the publication in the Amrita Bazar Patrika of "sensational and inflammatory news items, comment and headlines calculated to excite communal feelings".

It also said that government had brought "these facts" to the notice of the West Bengal Government on more than one occasion, with the request that the paper be asked to observe the recent Chief Secretaries agreement.

FOREST LAND CLEARED BY MANUAL LABOUR

Unique Achievement In U. P.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT)

ALLAHABAD, Feb. 26.

FIVE THOUSAND acres of forest land, dense with dhak and other trees and shrubs, were cleared in three weeks by sheer manual labour, unaided by any modern weapons or mechanised units. The opperation were organised by the Prantiya Rakshak Dal force, raised by the Congress and the Government in Uttar Pradesh primarily with a view to provide a means of self-defence in the villages during emergencies and also contribute to the improvement of life in the country-side.

The jungle land now cleared will be placed at the disposal of the Department of Agriculture, which would start operations for turning these into fertile fields for cultivation.

Over 14,000 men of the Dal, including group leaders and organisers, participated in these operations which started on February 1 at Rahimbad and Katiyar, in an area of about 12 miles, on the border of Lucknow and Hardoi districts. Thirty-four districts which participated in the operations were Azamgarh, Jalaun, Ballia, Ghazipur, Pratapgarh, Kanpur, Mainpuri, Bulandshahr, Banda, Budaun, Shajenpur, Hardoi, Nanital, Almora, Unnao, Hamirpur, Sitapur, Basti, Banki, Aligarh, Agra, Farrukhabad, Jhansi, Allahabad, Banaras, Mirzapur, Etwah, Faizabad, Fatehpur, Etah, Rae, Bareli, Lucknow, Jaunpur and Sultanpur. Thirty-four camps representing each districts were opened in the jungle and these were grouped into four sectors named as Rajendra Sector, Nehru Sector, Patel Sector, and Pant Sector.

VENOMOUS COBRAS

The jungle-cutting operations were not easy as the area was the abode of venomous cobras and other reptiles and scorpions, and consisted mainly of thorn shrubs. Although most of the men who went into action on February 1 were villagers and had worked on their fields, none of them had experience of the type of work they were called upon to do. Yet all of them throw themselves into this Herculean task bravely and as a disciplined force, carried on cheerfully, working nearly ten hours a day with brief intervals for rest. The area over which the operations extended presented the sight of a battlefield. In fact, the operations were organised on military lines, although the weapons used were a few, simple indigenous tools.

On an average it is estimated that over 5,000 roots were dug per day. The jungle, when cleared, also revealed at places dens which appeared to have provided shelter to thieves and dacoits.

NO FLOODING OF MARKETS

Jap Delegation's Assurance

OTTAWA, Feb. 26 (P.T.I.-Reuter): There is no danger of world markets being flooded with cheap Japanese goods as in pre-war days, a fourteen-man Japanese Parliamentary Delegation said here yesterday.

The delegation speaking through an interpreter, at a press conference admitted that there had been expensive dumping of Japanese goods before the war but added that Japanese exports were now strictly controlled by the Allied powers who also fixed the prices of the goods.

Mr. Sri Prakasa

BANARAS, Feb. 26 (PTI): Mr. Sri Prakash Governor of Assam arrived here yesterday morning on a three-day private visit and also to attend the marriage ceremony of his nephew.

MINISTER REPENTS

SECUNDERABAD, Feb. 26 (UPI).—Mr. B. S. Venkat Rao, Harijan Minister in the Laik Ali Cabinet, who is under house-arrest, it is reported, has expressed repentance at whatever he did while he was associated with the Razakar regime, and has admitted his mistake. His release is likely in the future, according to informed sources.

5 KILLED OVER WATER DISPUTE

Son Shoots Down Father

PATIALA, Feb. 26 (P.T.I.): A dispute over the turn of watering the field between two cousins led to the death of five persons in village of Rauni near Patiala according to report received here.

Those dead included Col. Niranjan Singh, Personal Physician and Surgeon to the late Maharaja of Patiala and his son Dharam Singh, a former Deputy Commissioner of P.E.P.S.U.

The report said that an altercation arose on the turn of watering the field between Dharam Singh and his cousin. The latter brought Col. Niranjan Singh, father of Dharam Singh to the scene of occurrence to persuade his son to desist from his action. But Dharam Singh is alleged to have opened fire as a result of which his father and cousin were killed. Another person who attempted to intervene was also fatally wounded.

A police party soon arrived on the spot and in an encounter which followed, one constable was shot dead and another wounded.

Dharam Singh was later found in a pool of blood and is believed to have killed himself.

Bihar Congress Leader Dead

PATNA, Feb. 26 (P.T.I.): Mr. Adubans Sahay, a prominent Congress leader of Bihar and a member of the Bihar Assembly who had been involved in a motor car accident near Daltonganj a week back died in Daltonganj Sardar Hospital yesterday morning.

U.P. ELECTORAL ROLLS PRINTING CHARGES

LUCKNOW, Feb. 26 (P.T.I.): The expenditure on printing of electoral rolls for the Central and state legislative bodies in Uttar Pradesh is likely to be Rs. 35 lakhs, it is learnt.

The Government of India will share 50 per cent of the expenditure.

NEW WORLD BODY FOR IRRIGATION

Eleven Countries Accept India's Proposal

NEW DELHI, February 26.

ELEVEN countries interested in irrigation and canals have accepted India's proposal to set up a new international body to be called the International Commission on Irrigation and Canals, it is learnt.

The main function of the Commission would be to encourage study and progress in design, construction, maintenance and operation of large and small irrigation works and canals and to collect all relevant information. The headquarters of the Commission will be in India.

The names of the 11 countries who have agreed to become members of the new international organisation are Pakistan, Canada, Egypt, Brazil, Turkey, the Netherlands, Switzerland, Siam, Ceylon, Indonesia and Yugoslavia.

Leading Government engineers of the United States have accepted the need of such an organisation and the question of U.S. membership of the Commission is at present under correspondence with the Government of that country. Among other countries which are understood to have favourably reacted to India's proposal are Australia and Japan.

FIRST MEETING

A meeting of the representatives of countries which have agreed to become members of the new body is likely to be convened in India this summer to frame the constitution and take a final decision about the holding of a plenary session of the Commission in January 1951. During the same month meetings of three other international bodies are also being held in India.

The Government of India have decided that the Central Board of Irrigation, Simla, should function as the National Committee for India for the International Commission on Irrigation and Canals. As such the Board will be in charge of all arrangements for the Commission's meetings, etc. India and the other 11 participant countries between them possess much more than half of the total irrigated area in the world.

According to the latest available information, the total areas under irrigation in some of these countries are as follows:

India 49 million acres, Pakistan 21 million acres, Egypt 6 million acres and Iraq 4 million acres.

The Governor of Bihar, Mr. M. S. Aney, inaugurating the Bihar Insurance Conference here on Sunday stressed the very valuable services that insurance brought to the individual and the family and its contribution towards the evolution of a settled state of society.

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